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***"AN ACT CONCERNING COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGN FINANCE
REFORM FOR STATE-WIDE CONSTITUTIONAL AND GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OFFICES."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) There is established, within
4 the General Fund, a separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the
5 "Citizens' Election Fund". The fund may contain any moneys required
6 by law to be deposited in the fund. Investment earnings credited to the
7 assets of the fund shall become part of the assets of the fund. The State
8 Treasurer shall administer the fund. Any balance remaining in the
9 fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the fund
10 for the next fiscal year. All moneys deposited in the fund shall be used
11 for the purposes of sections 1 and 6 to 21, inclusive, of this act. The
12 State Elections Enforcement Commission may deduct and retain from
13 the moneys in the fund an amount equal to the costs incurred by the
14 commission in administering the provisions of sections 1 and 6 to 21,
15 inclusive, of this act provided said amount shall not exceed one per

16 cent of the moneys deposited in the fund in any fiscal year. Any
17 portion of said one per cent allocation which exceeds said costs
18 incurred by the commission in any fiscal year shall continue to be
19 available for any said costs incurred by the commission in subsequent
20 fiscal years.

21 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) Not later than January 1, 2007,
22 and annually thereafter, the State Elections Enforcement Commission
23 shall notify the State Treasurer of the amount necessary to fund
24 sections 1 and 6 to 21 of this act for the next fiscal year.

25 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*)). The State Treasurer shall
26 deposit the amount of funds pursuant to section 2 of this act into the
27 Citizens' Election Fund, created in section 1 of this act, from funds
28 received under sections 3-56a to 3-76, inclusive, of the general statutes.
29 Funds deposited pursuant to this section shall be considered general
30 budget expenditures for purposes of section 2-33a of the general
31 statutes.

32 Sec. 4. Section 9-348ee of the general statutes is repealed and the
33 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

34 (a) The Secretary of the State shall (1) not later than July 1, 1998,
35 create a software program or programs for the preparation of financial
36 disclosure statements required by section 9-333j, as amended by this
37 act, and (2) not later than July 1, 1999, prescribe the standard reporting
38 format and specifications for other software programs created by
39 vendors for such purpose, subject to the approval, for legal sufficiency,
40 of the State Elections Enforcement Commission. No software program
41 created by a vendor may be used for the electronic submission of such
42 financial disclosure statements, until the Secretary of the State
43 determines that the program provides for the standard reporting
44 format, and complies with the specifications, which are prescribed
45 under subdivision (2) of this subsection for vendor software programs.
46 The secretary, in consultation with the commission, shall provide
47 training in the use of the software program or programs created by the

48 secretary.

49 (b) On and after [January 1, 1999] January 1, 2006, the campaign
50 treasurer of the candidate committee for [each candidate for
51 nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
52 Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of
53 the State who] any candidate, as defined in section 9-333a, who is
54 required to file campaign finance statements pursuant to section 9-333j,
55 as amended by this act, with the office of the Secretary of the State and
56 the campaign treasurer of any political committee or party committee,
57 which raises or spends [two hundred fifty] twenty-five thousand
58 dollars or more during an election campaign shall file in electronic
59 form all financial disclosure statements required by said section 9-333j
60 by either transmitting disks, tapes or other electronic storage media
61 containing the contents of such statements to the office of the Secretary
62 of the State or transmitting the statements on-line to said office. Each
63 such campaign treasurer shall use either (1) a software program
64 created by the Secretary of the State under subdivision (1) of
65 subsection (a) of this section, for all such statements filed on or after
66 [January 1, 1999] July 1, 2007, or (2) another software program which
67 provides for the standard reporting format, and complies with the
68 specifications, which are prescribed by the secretary under subdivision
69 (2) of subsection (a) of this section, for all such statements filed on or
70 after July 1, [1999] 2007. The office of the Secretary of the State shall
71 accept any statement that uses any such software program. Once any
72 such candidate committee, political committee or party committee has
73 raised or spent [two hundred fifty] twenty-five thousand dollars or
74 more during an election campaign, all previously filed statements
75 required by said section 9-333j, as amended by this act, which were not
76 filed in electronic form shall be refiled in such form, using such a
77 software program, not later than the date on which the campaign
78 treasurer of the committee is required to file the next regular statement
79 under said section 9-333j, as amended by this act. The campaign
80 treasurer of any such candidate committee, political committee or
81 party committee may file campaign finance statements in electronic

82 form pursuant to this subsection before the committee has raised or
83 spent twenty-five thousand dollars.

84 [(c) On and after January 1, 1999, (1) the campaign treasurer of the
85 candidate committee for any other candidate, as defined in section 9-
86 333a, who is required to file the financial disclosure statements
87 required by section 9-333j with the office of the Secretary of the State
88 and (2) the campaign treasurer of any political committee or party
89 committee, may file in electronic form any financial disclosure
90 statements required by said section 9-333j. Such filings may be made
91 by either transmitting disks, tapes or other electronic storage media
92 containing the contents of such statements to the proper authority
93 under section 9-333e or transmitting the statements on-line to such
94 proper authority. Each such campaign treasurer shall use either (A) a
95 software program created by the Secretary of the State under
96 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section, for all such statements
97 filed in electronic form on or after January 1, 1999, or (B) another
98 software program which provides for the standard reporting format,
99 and complies with the specifications, which are prescribed by the
100 secretary under subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, for all
101 such statements filed in electronic form on or after July 1, 1999. The
102 proper authority under section 9-333e shall accept any statement that
103 uses any such software program.]

104 Sec. 5. Subsection (e) of section 9-333j of the general statutes is
105 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
106 *passage*):

107 (e) (1) Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter, [to the
108 contrary,] in the event of a surplus the campaign treasurer of a
109 candidate committee or of a political committee, other than a political
110 committee formed for ongoing political activities or an exploratory
111 committee, shall distribute or expend such surplus [within] not later
112 than ninety days after a primary which results in the defeat of the
113 candidate, an election or referendum not held in November or by
114 January thirty-first following an election or referendum held in

115 November, in the following manner:

116 (A) Such committees may distribute their surplus to a party
117 committee, or a political committee organized for ongoing political
118 activities, return such surplus to all contributors to the committee on a
119 prorated basis of contribution, distribute all or any part of such surplus
120 to the Citizens' Election Fund, established in section 1 of this act, or
121 distribute such surplus to any charitable organization which is a tax-
122 exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
123 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code
124 of the United States, as from time to time amended, provided (i) no
125 candidate committee may distribute such surplus to a committee
126 which has been established to finance future political campaigns of the
127 candidate, and (ii) a candidate committee which received moneys from
128 the Citizens' Election Fund shall distribute such surplus to such fund;

129 (B) Each such political committee established by an organization
130 which received its funds from the organization's treasury shall return
131 its surplus to its sponsoring organization;

132 (C) (i) Each political committee formed solely to aid or promote the
133 success or defeat of any referendum question, which does not receive
134 contributions from a business entity or an organization, shall distribute
135 its surplus to a party committee, to a political committee organized for
136 ongoing political activities, to a national committee of a political party,
137 to all contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of contribution,
138 to state or municipal governments or agencies or to any organization
139 which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the
140 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding
141 internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time
142 amended. [(ii) each] (ii) Each political committee formed solely to aid
143 or promote the success or defeat of any referendum question, which
144 receives contributions from a business entity or an organization, shall
145 distribute its surplus to all contributors to the committee on a prorated
146 basis of contribution, to state or municipal governments or agencies, or
147 to any organization which is tax-exempt under said provisions of the

148 Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding the provisions of this
149 subsection, a committee formed for a single referendum shall not be
150 required to expend its surplus within ninety days after the referendum
151 and may continue in existence if a substantially similar referendum
152 question on the same issue will be submitted to the electorate within
153 six months after the first referendum. If two or more substantially
154 similar referenda on the same issue are submitted to the electorate,
155 each no more than six months apart, the committee shall expend such
156 surplus within ninety days following the date of the last such
157 referendum;

158 (D) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of a
159 candidate who is elected to office may, upon the authorization of such
160 candidate, expend surplus campaign funds to pay for the cost of
161 clerical, secretarial or other office expenses necessarily incurred by
162 such candidate in preparation for taking office; except such surplus
163 shall not be distributed for the personal benefit of any individual or to
164 any organization; and

165 (E) The campaign treasurer of a candidate committee, or of a
166 political committee, other than a political committee formed for
167 ongoing political activities or an exploratory committee, shall, prior to
168 the dissolution of such committee, either (i) distribute any equipment
169 purchased, including but not limited to computer equipment, to any
170 recipient as set forth in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, or (ii) sell
171 any equipment purchased, including but not limited to computer
172 equipment, to any person for fair market value and then distribute the
173 proceeds of such sale to any recipient as set forth in said subparagraph
174 (A).

175 (2) Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter, [to the
176 contrary,] the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of a
177 candidate who has withdrawn from a primary or election may, prior to
178 the primary or election, distribute its surplus to any organization
179 which is tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
180 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code

181 of the United States, as from time to time amended, or return such
182 surplus to all contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of
183 contribution.

184 (3) [Within] Not later than seven days after such distribution or
185 [within] not later than seven days after all funds have been expended
186 in accordance with subparagraph (D) of subdivision (1) of this
187 subsection, the campaign treasurer shall file a supplemental statement,
188 sworn under penalty of false statement, with the proper authority,
189 identifying all further contributions received since the previous
190 statement and explaining how any surplus has been distributed or
191 expended in accordance with this section. No surplus may be
192 distributed or expended until after the election, primary or
193 referendum.

194 (4) In the event of a deficit the campaign treasurer shall file a
195 supplemental statement ninety days after an election, primary or
196 referendum not held in November or on the seventh calendar day in
197 February, or the next business day if such day is a Saturday, Sunday or
198 legal holiday, after an election or referendum held in November, with
199 the proper authority and, thereafter, on the seventh day of each month
200 following if on the last day of the previous month there was an
201 increase or decrease in the deficit in excess of five hundred dollars
202 from that reported on the last statement filed. The campaign treasurer
203 shall file such supplemental statements as required until the deficit is
204 eliminated. If any such committee does not have a surplus or a deficit,
205 the statement required to be filed [within] not later than forty-five days
206 following any election or referendum not held in November or on the
207 seventh calendar day in January, or the next business day if such day is
208 a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, following an election or
209 referendum held in November, or [within] not later than thirty days
210 following any primary shall be the last required statement.

211 Sec. 6. (NEW) *(Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
212 *2008, and thereafter)* As used in sections 1 and 6 to 21, inclusive, of this
213 act:

214 (1) "Commission" means the State Elections Enforcement
215 Commission.

216 (2) "Convention" has the same meaning as provided in section 9-372
217 of the general statutes.

218 (3) "Depository account" means the single checking account at the
219 depository institution designated as the depository for the candidate
220 committee's moneys in accordance with the provisions of subsection
221 (a) of section 9-333f of the general statutes.

222 (4) "Eligible petitioning party candidate" means a candidate for
223 election to an office pursuant to part III C of chapter 153 of the general
224 statutes whose nominating petition has been approved by the
225 Secretary of the State pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-453o of the
226 general statutes.

227 (5) "Fund" means the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 1
228 of this act.

229 (6) "General election campaign" means (A) in the case of a candidate
230 nominated at a primary, the period beginning on the day following the
231 primary and ending on the date the campaign treasurer files the final
232 statement for such campaign pursuant to section 9-333j of the general
233 statutes, as amended by this act, or (B) in the case of a candidate
234 nominated without a primary, the period beginning on the day
235 following the day on which the candidate is nominated and ending on
236 the date the campaign treasurer files the final statement for such
237 campaign pursuant to section 9-333j of the general statutes, as
238 amended by this act.

239 (7) "Major party" has the same meaning as provided in section 9-372
240 of the general statutes.

241 (8) "Minor party" has the same meaning as provided in section 9-372
242 of the general statutes.

243 (9) "Primary campaign" means the period beginning on the day

244 following the close of a convention and ending on the day of a primary
245 held for the purpose of nominating a candidate for an office.

246 (10) "Qualified candidate committee" means a candidate committee
247 (A) established to aid or promote the success of any candidate for
248 nomination or election to a state office, and (B) approved by the
249 commission to receive a grant from the Citizens' Election Fund under
250 section 11 of this act.

251 (11) "State office" means the office of Governor, Lieutenant
252 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer,
253 Secretary of the State, state senator or state representative.

254 (12) "Party dominant district" means a state senate or state house of
255 representative district where one major party holds a registration
256 advantage of twenty per cent or more over the other major party.

257 Sec. 7. (NEW) *(Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
258 *2008, and thereafter)* (a) There is established a Citizens' Election
259 Program under which (1) the candidate committee of a major party or
260 minor party candidate for nomination to the office of state senator or
261 state representative in 2008, or thereafter, or the office of Governor,
262 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary
263 of the State or State Treasurer in 2010, or thereafter, may receive a
264 grant from the Citizens' Election Fund for the candidate's primary
265 campaign for said nomination, and (2) the candidate committee of a
266 candidate who is nominated by a major party or a minor party, or the
267 candidate committee of an eligible petitioning party candidate, for
268 election to the office of state senator or state representative in 2008, or
269 thereafter, or the office of Governor, Attorney General, State
270 Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer in 2010, or
271 thereafter, may receive a grant from the fund for the candidate's
272 general election campaign for said office.

273 (b) Any such candidate committee is eligible to receive such grants
274 for a primary campaign, if applicable, and a general election campaign
275 if (1) the candidate certifies as a participating candidate under section

276 11 of this act, (2) the candidate's candidate committee receives the
277 required amount of qualifying contributions under section 9 of this act,
278 (3) the candidate's candidate committee returns all contributions that
279 do not meet the criteria for qualifying contributions under section 9 of
280 this act, (4) the candidate's exploratory committee, if any, returns all
281 contributions that do not meet the criteria for qualifying contributions
282 to a candidate committee under section 9 of this act, (5) the candidate
283 agrees to limit the campaign expenditures of the candidate's candidate
284 committee in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (1) of
285 subsection (c) of this section, and (6) the candidate submits an
286 application and the commission approves the application in
287 accordance with the provisions of section 11 of this act.

288 (c) (1) A candidate participating in the Citizens' Election Program
289 shall limit the campaign expenditures of the candidate's candidate
290 committee (A) before a primary campaign and a general election
291 campaign, to the amount of qualifying contributions permitted in
292 section 9 of this act, (B) for a primary campaign, to the sum of the
293 amount of qualifying contributions permitted in section 9 of this act
294 that have not been spent before the primary campaign, the amount of
295 the grant for the primary campaign authorized under section 10 of this
296 act and, in the case of a candidate for the office of Governor,
297 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary
298 of the State or State Treasurer, the total amount of contributions
299 permitted in section 9-333s of the general statutes, as amended by this
300 act, from the state central committee for the party in which the
301 candidate is enrolled and all town committees, and (C) for a general
302 election campaign, to the sum of the amount of qualifying
303 contributions permitted in section 9 of this act that have not been spent
304 before the general election campaign, any unexpended funds from any
305 grant for a primary campaign, the amount of the grant for the general
306 election campaign authorized under section 10 of this act and, in the
307 case of a candidate for the office of Governor, Attorney General, State
308 Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, the total amount
309 of contributions permitted in section 9-333s of the general statutes, as

310 amended by this act, from the state central committee for the party in
311 which the candidate is enrolled and all town committees, which party
312 contributions have not been spent before the general election
313 campaign.

314 (2) There shall be a rebuttable presumption that any expenditure by
315 a party committee for the benefit of the candidate committee of a
316 candidate shall be counted toward the applicable expenditure limit for
317 such candidate committee under this subsection, except for any
318 expenditures by a party committee that benefits all candidates
319 nominated by the party. The State Elections Enforcement Commission
320 shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter
321 54 of the general statutes, to carry out the purposes of this subdivision.

322 Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
323 *2008, and thereafter*) (a) Each candidate for nomination or election to a
324 state office in 2008, or thereafter, shall file an affidavit with the State
325 Elections Enforcement Commission at the same time that the candidate
326 files either a committee statement under subsection (a) of section 9-333f
327 of the general statutes or a certification under subsection (b) of section
328 9-333f of the general statutes. The affidavit shall include a written
329 certification that the candidate either intends to abide by the
330 expenditure limits under the Citizens' Election Program set forth in
331 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 7 of this act, or does not
332 intend to abide by said limits. If the candidate intends to abide by said
333 limits, the affidavit shall also include written certifications (1) that the
334 campaign treasurer of the candidate committee for said candidate shall
335 expend any moneys received from the Citizens' Election Fund in
336 accordance with the provisions of subsection (g) of section 9-333i of the
337 general statutes and guidelines adopted by the State Elections
338 Enforcement Commission under subsection (e) of section 11 of this act,
339 (2) that the candidate shall repay to the fund any such moneys that are
340 not expended in accordance with subsection (g) of said section 9-333i
341 and said guidelines, and (3) stating the candidate's status as a major
342 party, minor party or petitioning candidate and, in the case of a major
343 party or minor party candidate, the name of such party. No candidate

344 who changes such status or becomes a candidate of a different party
345 during a campaign shall be eligible to receive a grant under the
346 Citizens' Election Program during the campaigns for which the
347 affidavit is filed.

348 (b) A candidate who so certifies the candidate's intent to abide by
349 the expenditure limits under the Citizens' Election Program set forth in
350 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 7 of this act shall be referred
351 to in sections 6 to 21, inclusive, of this act as a "participating candidate"
352 and a candidate who so certifies the candidate's intent to not abide by
353 said limits shall be referred to in said sections 6 to 21, inclusive, as a
354 "nonparticipating candidate". The commission shall prepare a list of
355 the participating candidates and a list of the nonparticipating
356 candidates and shall make such lists available for public inspection.

357 Sec. 9. (NEW) *(Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
358 *2008, and thereafter)* (a) The amount of qualifying contributions which
359 the candidate committee of a candidate shall be required to receive in
360 order to be eligible for grants from the Citizens' Election Fund shall be:

361 (1) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
362 of Governor, contributions from individuals in the aggregate amount
363 of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, of which two hundred twenty-
364 five thousand dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in
365 the state, provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the
366 portion of any contribution or contributions from an individual other
367 than such candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess
368 portion shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all
369 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the
370 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this
371 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts.

372 (2) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
373 of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State
374 Treasurer or Secretary of the State, contributions from individuals in
375 the aggregate amount of seventy-five thousand dollars, of which sixty-

376 seven thousand five hundred dollars or more is contributed by
377 individuals residing in the state, provided (A) the candidate committee
378 shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from an
379 individual other than such candidate that exceeds one hundred
380 dollars, and such excess portion shall not be considered in calculating
381 such amounts, and (B) all contributions received by an exploratory
382 committee that meet the criteria for qualifying contributions to
383 candidate committees under this section shall be considered in
384 calculating such amounts.

385 (3) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
386 of state senator, contributions from individuals in the aggregate
387 amount of fifteen thousand dollars, of which three hundred
388 contributions shall be made by individuals residing in the state senate
389 district, provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion
390 of any contribution or contributions from an individual other than
391 such candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess
392 portion shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all
393 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the
394 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this
395 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts.

396 (4) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
397 of state representative, contributions from individuals in the aggregate
398 amount of five thousand dollars, of which one hundred fifty
399 contributions shall be made by individuals residing in the state
400 representative district, provided (A) the candidate committee shall
401 return the portion of any contribution or contributions from an
402 individual other than such candidate that exceeds one hundred
403 dollars, and such excess portion shall not be considered in calculating
404 such amounts, and (B) all contributions received by an exploratory
405 committee that meet the criteria for qualifying contributions to
406 candidate committees under this section shall be considered in
407 calculating such amounts.

408 (b) After a candidate committee receives the applicable aggregate

409 amount of qualifying contributions under subsection (a) of this section,
410 the candidate committee shall return any additional contributions that
411 it receives.

412 (c) Each individual who makes a contribution to a candidate
413 committee established to aid or promote the success of a participating
414 candidate for nomination or election to a state office shall include with
415 the contribution a certification that (1) neither the individual nor any
416 member of the immediate family of the individual is a lobbyist, and (2)
417 neither the individual, any member of the immediate family of the
418 individual nor an associated business of the individual or any such
419 immediate family member has a contract with the state. A contribution
420 from (A) a lobbyist or a member of the immediate family of a lobbyist,
421 or (B) an individual who has a contract with the state, any member of
422 the immediate family of such individual, or an associated business of
423 such individual or any such immediate family member shall not be
424 deemed to be a qualifying contribution under subsection (a) of this
425 section and shall be returned by the candidate committee. As used in
426 this subsection, "immediate family" means any spouse or child of an
427 individual or any dependent relatives who reside in the individual's
428 household.

429 (d) Each individual who makes a contribution to a candidate
430 committee established to aid or promote the success of a participating
431 candidate for nomination or election to a state office shall include the
432 individual's name and address with the contribution. A contribution
433 (1) from an individual that does not include such information, or (2)
434 from an individual who does not reside in the state, in excess of the
435 applicable limit on contributions from nonresidents in subsection (a) of
436 this section, shall not be deemed to be a qualifying contribution under
437 subsection (a) of this section and shall be returned by the candidate
438 committee.

439 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
440 *2008, and thereafter*) (a) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a
441 major party or minor party candidate for the office of Governor who

442 has a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a
443 grant from the Citizens' Election Fund for the primary campaign in the
444 amount of one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided,
445 in the case of a primary held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall
446 be adjusted under subsection (c) of this section.

447 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
448 party candidate for the office of Governor who is nominated shall be
449 eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election
450 campaign in the amount of three million dollars, provided (A) in the
451 case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be
452 adjusted under subsection (c) of this section, and (B) if a candidate is
453 nominated at a primary and does not expend the entire grant from the
454 fund for the primary campaign, the amount of the grant for the general
455 election campaign shall be reduced by the amount of such unexpended
456 primary grant funds.

457 (3) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
458 party candidate for the office of Governor shall be eligible to receive a
459 grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of
460 three million dollars, provided in the case of an election held in 2014,
461 or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (c) of this
462 section.

463 (b) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
464 party candidate for the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney
465 General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer
466 who has a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to
467 receive a grant from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount
468 of three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars, provided, in the case
469 of a primary held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted
470 under subsection (c) of this section.

471 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of
472 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
473 Treasurer who is nominated shall be eligible to receive a grant from

474 the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of seven
475 hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided (A) in the case of an election
476 held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under
477 subsection (c) of this section, and (B) if a candidate is nominated at a
478 primary and does not expend the entire grant from the fund for the
479 primary campaign, the amount of the grant for the general election
480 campaign shall be reduced by the amount of such unexpended
481 primary grant funds.

482 (3) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
483 party candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller,
484 Secretary of the State or State Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a
485 grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of
486 seven hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided in the case of an
487 election held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted
488 under subsection (c) of this section.

489 (c) For elections held in 2014, and thereafter, the amount of the
490 grants in subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall be adjusted by the
491 State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15,
492 2014, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in
493 the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the
494 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during
495 the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December
496 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is
497 to be made.

498 (d) (1) (A) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or
499 minor party candidate for the office of state senator who has a primary
500 for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from
501 the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of fifty thousand
502 dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held in 2010, or thereafter,
503 said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (f) of this section.

504 (B) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate in
505 a party dominate district for the office of state senator who has a

506 primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant
507 from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of eighty
508 thousand dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held in 2010, or
509 thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (f) of this
510 section.

511 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
512 party candidate for the office of state senator who is nominated shall
513 be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election
514 campaign in the amount of one hundred fifty thousand dollars,
515 provided (A) in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said
516 amount shall be adjusted under subsection (f) of this section, and (B) if
517 a candidate is nominated at a primary and does not expend the entire
518 grant from the fund for the primary campaign, the amount of the grant
519 for the general election campaign shall be reduced by the amount of
520 such unexpended primary grant funds.

521 (3) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
522 party candidate for the office of state senator shall be eligible to receive
523 a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount
524 of one hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided in the case of an
525 election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted
526 under subsection (f) of this section.

527 (e) (1) (A) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or
528 minor party candidate for the office of state representative who has a
529 primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant
530 from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of eight
531 thousand dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held in 2010, or
532 thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (f) of this
533 section.

534 (B) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate in
535 a party dominant district for the office of state representative who has
536 a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a
537 grant from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of twenty

538 five thousand dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held in 2010,
539 or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (f) of this
540 section.

541 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of
542 state representative who is nominated shall be eligible to receive a
543 grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of
544 twenty-five thousand dollars, provided (A) in the case of an election
545 held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under
546 subsection (f) of this section, and (B) if a candidate is nominated at a
547 primary and does not expend the entire grant from the fund for the
548 primary campaign, the amount of the grant for the general election
549 campaign shall be reduced by the amount of such unexpended
550 primary grant funds.

551 (3) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning
552 party candidate for the office of state representative shall be eligible to
553 receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the
554 amount of twenty-five thousand dollars, provided in the case of an
555 election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted
556 under subsection (f) of this section.

557 (f) For elections held in 2010, and thereafter, the amount of the
558 grants in subsections (d) and (e) of this section shall be adjusted by the
559 State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15,
560 2010, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the
561 consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the
562 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during
563 the period beginning on January 1, 2008, and ending on December
564 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is
565 to be made.

566 (g) No grant under this section may be applied to a deficit incurred
567 by a candidate committee.

568 (h) No participating candidate who is unopposed in a general
569 election may receive more than thirty per cent of the grant.

570 (i) Participating candidates who are not opposed by a major party
571 candidate and are opposed by a non-participating minor party
572 candidate who raises less than thirty per cent of the applicable grant
573 amount shall receive sixty per cent of the grant.

574 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
575 *2008, and thereafter*) (a) (1) A candidate for nomination to the office of
576 state senator or state representative in 2008, or thereafter, or the office
577 of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
578 Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer in 2010, or
579 thereafter, may apply to the State Elections Enforcement Commission
580 for a grant from the fund under the Citizens' Election Program for a
581 primary campaign, after the close of the state convention of the
582 candidate's party that is called for the purpose of choosing candidates
583 for nomination for the office that the candidate is seeking, if a primary
584 is required under chapter 153 of the general statutes, and (A) said
585 party endorses the candidate for the office that the candidate is
586 seeking, (B) the candidate receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes
587 of the convention delegates present and voting on any roll-call vote
588 taken on the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for
589 the office the candidate is seeking, or (C) the candidate circulates a
590 petition and obtains the required number of signatures for filing a
591 candidacy for nomination for said office pursuant to section 9-400 of
592 the general statutes.

593 (2) A candidate for election to the office of state senator or state
594 representative in 2008, or thereafter, or the office of Governor,
595 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
596 Treasurer in 2010, or thereafter, may apply to the State Elections
597 Enforcement Commission for a grant from the fund under the Citizens'
598 Election Program for a general election campaign, (A) after the close of
599 the state convention of the candidate's party that is called for the
600 purpose of choosing candidates for nomination for the office that the
601 candidate is seeking, if (i) said party endorses said candidate for the
602 office that the candidate is seeking and no other candidate of said
603 party files a certificate of candidacy with the Secretary of the State in

604 accordance with the provisions of section 9-400 of the general statutes,
605 (ii) the candidate receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
606 convention delegates present and voting on any roll-call vote taken on
607 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for the office
608 the candidate is seeking, no other candidate for said office at such
609 convention either receives the party endorsement or said percentage of
610 said votes for said endorsement or files a certificate of endorsement
611 with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of
612 section 9-388 of the general statutes or a certificate of candidacy with
613 the Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of section
614 9-400 of the general statutes, and no other candidate for said office
615 circulates a petition and obtains the required number of signatures for
616 filing a candidacy for nomination for said office pursuant to section 9-
617 400 of the general statutes, or (iii) the candidate circulates a petition
618 and obtains the required number of signatures for filing a candidacy
619 for nomination for said office pursuant to section 9-400 of the general
620 statutes and no other candidate for said office at such convention
621 either receives the party endorsement or said percentage of said votes
622 for said endorsement or files a certificate of endorsement with the
623 Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of section 9-388
624 of the general statutes or a certificate of candidacy with the Secretary
625 of the State in accordance with the provisions of section 9-400 of the
626 general statutes, (B) after any primary held by such party for
627 nomination for said office, if the Secretary of the State declares that the
628 candidate is the party nominee in accordance with the provisions of
629 section 9-440 of the general statutes, or (C) in the case of a petitioning
630 party candidate, after approval by the Secretary of the State of such
631 candidate's nominating petition pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-
632 453o of the general statutes.

633 (b) The application shall include a written certification that:

634 (1) The candidate committee has received the required amount of
635 qualifying contributions;

636 (2) The candidate committee has repaid all moneys borrowed on

637 behalf of the campaign, as required by subsection (b) of section 15 of
638 this act;

639 (3) The candidate committee has returned any contribution from an
640 individual who does not include the individual's name and address
641 with the contribution;

642 (4) The candidate committee and exploratory committee have
643 returned all contributions or portions of contributions that do not meet
644 the criteria for qualifying contributions under section 9 of this act;

645 (5) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee shall comply
646 with the provisions of sections 1 and 6 to 21, inclusive, of this act;

647 (6) All moneys received from the Citizens' Election Fund shall be
648 deposited upon receipt into the depository account of the candidate
649 committee;

650 (7) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee shall expend
651 all moneys received from the fund in accordance with the provisions of
652 subsection (g) of section 9-333i of the general statutes and guidelines
653 adopted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission under
654 subsection (e) of this section; and

655 (8) If the candidate withdraws from the campaign, becomes
656 ineligible or dies during the campaign, the candidate committee of the
657 candidate shall return to the commission, for deposit in the fund, all
658 moneys received from the fund pursuant to sections 1 and 6 to 21,
659 inclusive, of this act which said candidate committee has not spent as
660 of the date of such occurrence.

661 (c) The application shall be accompanied by a cumulative itemized
662 accounting of all funds received, expenditures made and expenses
663 incurred but not yet paid by the candidate committee as of three days
664 before the date that the application is signed. Such accounting shall be
665 sworn to under penalty of false statement by the campaign treasurer of
666 the candidate committee. The commission shall prescribe the form of

667 the application and the cumulative itemized accounting, after
668 consulting with the Secretary of the State. The form for such
669 accounting shall conform to the requirements of section 9-333j of the
670 general statutes, as amended by this act. Both the candidate and the
671 campaign treasurer of the candidate committee shall sign the
672 application.

673 (d) Not later than three business days following receipt of any such
674 application, the commission shall review the application, determine
675 whether the candidate committee for the applicant (1) has received the
676 required qualifying contributions, (2) in the case of an application for a
677 grant from the fund for a primary campaign, the applicant has met the
678 applicable condition under subsection (a) of this section for applying
679 for such moneys and complied with the provisions of subsections (b)
680 and (c) of this section, and at least either one other participating
681 candidate for nomination in the primary, from the same party and for
682 the same office as the applicant, has also received the required
683 qualifying contributions or at least one nonparticipating candidate for
684 nomination in the primary, from the same party and for the same
685 office as the applicant, has received an amount of contributions equal
686 to the amount of such qualifying contributions, and (3) in the case of
687 an application for a grant from the fund for a general election
688 campaign, the applicant has met the applicable condition under
689 subsection (a) of this section for applying for such moneys and
690 complied with the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this
691 subsection. If the commission approves an application, the commission
692 shall determine the amount of the grant payable to the candidate
693 committee for the applicant, from the fund, and notify the State
694 Comptroller and the candidate of such candidate committee, of such
695 amount. Not later than two business days following notification by the
696 commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
697 Treasurer for payment of such amount to the qualified candidate
698 committee from the fund.

699 (e) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall establish
700 guidelines on permissible expenditures under subsection (g) of section

701 9-333i of the general statutes for qualified candidate committees
702 receiving grants from the fund under sections 6 to 21, inclusive, of this
703 act.

704 Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
705 *2008, and thereafter*) Following the initial deposit of moneys from the
706 Citizens' Election Fund into the depository account of a qualified
707 candidate committee, no contribution, loan, amount of the candidate's
708 own moneys or any other moneys received by the candidate or the
709 campaign treasurer on behalf of the committee shall be deposited into
710 said depository account, except (1) grants from the fund, and (2) any
711 additional moneys from the fund as provided in sections 17 and 18 of
712 this act.

713 Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
714 *2008, and thereafter*) A qualified candidate committee that received
715 moneys from the Citizens' Election Fund for a primary campaign and
716 whose candidate is the party nominee shall receive moneys from the
717 fund for a general election campaign. Upon receiving verification from
718 the Secretary of the State of the declaration by the Secretary of the State
719 in accordance with the provisions of section 9-440 of the general
720 statutes of the results of the votes cast at the primary, the State
721 Elections Enforcement Commission shall notify the State Comptroller
722 of the amount payable to such qualified candidate committee. Not
723 later than two business days following notification by the commission,
724 the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for
725 payment of the general election campaign grant to said committee
726 from said fund.

727 Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005, and applicable to elections held in*
728 *2008, and thereafter*) (a) For purposes of this section, expenditures made
729 to aid or promote the success of both a candidate for nomination or
730 election to the office of Governor and a candidate for nomination or
731 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor jointly, shall be
732 considered expenditures made to aid or promote the success of a
733 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor. The

734 party-endorsed candidate for nomination or election to the office of
735 Lieutenant Governor and the party-endorsed candidate for nomination
736 or election to the office of Governor shall be deemed to be aiding or
737 promoting the success of both candidates jointly upon the earliest of
738 the following: (1) The primary, whether held for the office of Governor,
739 the office of Lieutenant Governor, or both; (2) if no primary is held for
740 the office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, the convention; or (3) a
741 declaration by the party-endorsed candidates that they shall campaign
742 jointly. Any other candidate for nomination or election to the office of
743 Lieutenant Governor shall be deemed to be aiding or promoting the
744 success of such candidacy for the office of Lieutenant Governor and
745 the success of a candidate for nomination or election to the office of
746 Governor jointly upon a declaration by the candidates that they shall
747 campaign jointly.

748 (b) The candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success
749 of a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant
750 Governor, the candidate of which campaigns jointly with a candidate
751 for nomination or election to the office of Governor, shall be dissolved
752 as of the applicable date set forth in subsection (a) of this section. Not
753 later than fifteen days after the applicable date set forth in subsection
754 (a) of this section, the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee
755 formed to aid or promote the success of said candidate for nomination
756 or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall file a statement
757 with the proper authority under section 9-333e of the general statutes,
758 as amended by this act, identifying all contributions received or
759 expenditures made by the committee since the previous statement and
760 the balance on hand or deficit, as the case may be. Not later than thirty
761 days after the applicable date set forth in subsection (a) of this section,
762 (1) the campaign treasurer of a qualified candidate committee formed
763 to aid or promote the success of said candidate for nomination or
764 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall distribute any
765 surplus to the fund, and (2) the campaign treasurer of a nonqualified
766 candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success of said
767 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant

768 Governor shall distribute such surplus in accordance with the
769 provisions of subsection (e) of section 9-333j of the general statutes, as
770 amended by this act.

771 Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
772 *2008, and thereafter*) (a) A qualified candidate committee may borrow
773 moneys on behalf of a campaign for a primary or a general election
774 from one or more financial institutions, as defined in section 36a-41 of
775 the general statutes, in an aggregate amount not to exceed, (1) for
776 Governor, twenty thousand dollars; (2) for Lieutenant Governor,
777 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
778 Treasurer, ten thousand dollars; (3) for state senator, two thousand
779 dollars; and (4) for state representative, one thousand dollars. The
780 amount borrowed shall not constitute a qualifying contribution. No
781 individual, political committee or party committee, except the
782 candidate or, in a general election, the state central committee of a
783 political party, shall endorse or guarantee such a loan in an aggregate
784 amount in excess of five hundred dollars. An endorsement or
785 guarantee of such a loan shall constitute a contribution by such
786 individual or committee for so long as the loan is outstanding. The
787 amount endorsed or guaranteed by such individual or committee shall
788 cease to constitute a contribution upon repayment of the amount
789 endorsed or guaranteed.

790 (b) All such loans shall be repaid in full prior to the date a candidate
791 committee applies for the moneys from the Citizens' Election Fund
792 pursuant to section 11 of this act. A candidate who fails to repay such
793 loans or fails to certify such repayment to the State Elections
794 Enforcement Commission shall not be eligible to receive and shall not
795 receive moneys from the fund.

796 Sec. 16. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
797 *2008, and thereafter*) (a) A qualified candidate committee that receives a
798 grant from the Citizens' Election Fund pursuant to section 11 of this act
799 and makes expenditures in excess of the sum of an expenditure limit
800 set forth in subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 7 of this act and

801 the amount any additional moneys the candidate committee receives
802 from the fund under section 14 or 15 of this act, (1) shall repay to the
803 fund the full amount of such grant and moneys, (2) shall not receive
804 any additional moneys from the fund for the remainder of the election
805 cycle, (3) shall be subject to civil penalties under section 9-7b of the
806 general statutes, as amended by this act, and (4) shall be deemed to be
807 a nonparticipating candidate for the purposes of sections 1 and 6 to 21,
808 inclusive, of this act.

809 (b) A candidate whose candidate committee fails to return any
810 surplus grant funds to the fund not later than ninety days after a
811 primary or an election, whichever is applicable shall be subject to the
812 penalties for larceny under sections 53a-122 to 53a-125b, inclusive, of
813 the general statutes depending on the amount involved.

814 Sec. 17. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
815 *2008, and thereafter*) (a) Additional moneys from the Citizens' Election
816 Fund shall be paid to a qualified candidate committee that received
817 moneys from the fund if the committee of an opposing candidate
818 makes expenditures in excess of an expenditure limit set forth in
819 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 7 of this act. Such additional
820 moneys from the fund shall be paid to a qualified candidate committee
821 that received moneys from the fund (1) regardless of whether the
822 candidate committee that makes expenditures in excess of the
823 applicable expenditure limit has received moneys from the fund, (2) in
824 an amount equal to the greatest amount of expenditures in excess of
825 the applicable expenditure limit that the committee of an opposing
826 candidate has made, but not more than one hundred per cent of the
827 amount of moneys that the qualified candidate committee has received
828 from the fund for the primary campaign or general election campaign
829 for which such excess expenditures are made, and (3) immediately
830 following the State Elections Enforcement Commission's verification
831 that the committee of an opposing candidate has made expenditures in
832 excess of the applicable expenditure limit.

833 (b) If a nonparticipating candidate makes or incurs the obligation to

834 make an excess expenditure more than twenty days before the day of a
835 primary or election, the candidate shall file a declaration of excess
836 expenditures not later than forty-eight hours after making or incurring
837 the expenditure. If a nonparticipating candidate makes or incurs the
838 obligation to make an excess expenditure twenty days or less before
839 the day of a primary or election, the candidate shall file a declaration of
840 excess expenditures not later than twenty-four hours after making or
841 incurring the expenditure. The commission may determine whether
842 any expenditure by a nonparticipating candidate shall be deemed an
843 excess expenditure.

844 Sec. 18. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
845 *2008, and thereafter*) Upon the receipt of a report under subsection (e) of
846 section 9-333n of the general statutes, as amended by this act, that an
847 independent expenditure has been made or obligated to be made, with
848 the intent to promote the defeat of a candidate whose candidate
849 committee has received a grant under the Citizens' Election Program,
850 the State Elections Enforcement Commission shall immediately notify
851 the State Comptroller that additional money, equal to the amount of
852 the independent expenditure, shall be paid to said candidate
853 committee. Not later than two business days following notification by
854 the commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
855 Treasurer for payment of such amount to said candidate committee
856 from the Citizens' Election Fund. The provisions of this section shall be
857 subject to the following:

858 (1) The maximum aggregate amount of funding that the qualified
859 candidate committee of a participating candidate shall receive to
860 match the independent expenditures made or obligated to be made on
861 behalf of an opposing participating candidate shall not be greater than
862 one hundred per cent of the total moneys that said candidate
863 committee has received from the fund for the primary campaign or
864 general election campaign for which such independent expenditures
865 are made or obligated to be made.

866 (2) The maximum aggregate amount of funding that the qualified

867 candidate committee of a participating candidate shall receive to
868 match the independent expenditures and the excess expenditures of a
869 nonparticipating candidate shall not be greater than two hundred per
870 cent of the total moneys that said candidate committee has received
871 from the fund for the primary campaign or general election campaign
872 for which such independent expenditures and excess expenditures are
873 made or obligated to be made.

874 (3) The additional moneys under this section to match independent
875 expenditures shall be granted to the qualified candidate committee of a
876 participating candidate opposed by a nonparticipating candidate only
877 if the nonparticipating candidate's campaign expenditures, combined
878 with the amount of the independent expenditures, exceed the
879 applicable permitted expenditure amount for the participating
880 candidate, during the primary campaign or the general election
881 campaign.

882 (4) If a participating candidate receives additional moneys under
883 this section to match independent expenditures made during a
884 primary campaign and such candidate does not spend all of such
885 additional moneys during such campaign, the candidate may carry
886 over the moneys to the general election campaign. In such case, the
887 general election grant shall be reduced by the amount of such moneys
888 carried over.

889 Sec. 19. (NEW) (*Effective from passage, and applicable to elections held in*
890 *2008, and thereafter*) The campaign treasurer for each candidate for
891 election to state office in 2008, or thereafter shall file campaign finance
892 statements with the office of the Secretary of the State (1) according to
893 the same schedules as required of a campaign treasurer of a candidate
894 committee under section 9-333j of the general statutes, as amended by
895 this act, until receiving contributions, receipts and grants totaling
896 seventy-five per cent of the applicable expenditure limit for a general
897 election campaign, as set forth in subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of
898 section 7 of this act, and (2) then, notwithstanding said schedule in
899 section 9-333j of the general statutes, as amended by this act, on the

900 second Thursday of each month between the beginning of the fourth
901 month preceding the day of the election for said office and the
902 beginning of the sixth week preceding the election and then on each
903 Thursday until the day of the election. Said statements shall be
904 prepared in the same manner as statements required under section 9-
905 333j of the general statutes, as amended by this act. If a campaign
906 treasurer fails to file any statement required by this section (A) within
907 the time required, or (B) with both the Secretary of the State and the
908 State Elections Enforcement Commission, such campaign treasurer
909 shall be subject to a civil penalty imposed by the commission, of not
910 more than one thousand dollars for each such failure under
911 subparagraph (A) or (B) of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this section.

912 Sec. 20. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005, and applicable to elections held in*
913 *2008, and thereafter*) The Secretary of the State shall provide to each
914 committee whose candidate has filed an affidavit under subsection (a)
915 of section 8 of this act certifying that the candidate intends to abide by
916 the applicable expenditure limits under the Citizens' Election Program,
917 a copy of the voter registration list for the state, which is generated
918 from the state-wide centralized voter registration system established
919 pursuant to the plan authorized under section 1 of special act 91-45
920 and completed pursuant to section 9-50b of the general statutes. The
921 Secretary shall provide the copy in electronic format, free of charge.

922 Sec. 21. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005, and applicable to elections held in*
923 *2008, and thereafter*) (a) Not later than June 1, 2006, and annually
924 thereafter, the State Elections Enforcement Commission shall issue a
925 report on the status of the Citizens' Election Fund during the previous
926 calendar year. Such report shall include the amount of moneys
927 deposited in the fund, the sources of moneys received by category, the
928 number of contributions, the number of contributors, the amount of
929 moneys expended by category, the recipients of moneys distributed
930 from the fund and an accounting of the costs incurred by the
931 commission in administering the provisions of sections 1 and 6 to 21,
932 inclusive, of this act.

933 (b) Not later than January first in any year in which a state election
934 is to be held, the commission shall determine whether the amount of
935 moneys in the fund is sufficient to carry out the purposes of sections 1
936 and 6 to 21, inclusive, of this act. If the commission determines that
937 such amount is not sufficient to carry out such purposes, the
938 commission shall, not later than three days after such later
939 determination, (1) determine the percentage of the fund's obligations
940 that can be met for such election, (2) recalculate the amount of each
941 payment that a qualified candidate committee is entitled to receive
942 under section 11 of this act by multiplying such percentage by the
943 amount that such committees would have been entitled to receive
944 under sections 1 and 6 to 21, inclusive, of this act if there were a
945 sufficient amount of moneys in the fund, and (3) notify each such
946 committee of such insufficiency, percentage and applicable
947 recalculation. After a qualified candidate committee under section 11
948 of this act first receives any such recalculated payment, the committee
949 may resume accepting contributions and making expenditures from
950 such contributions, up to the highest amount of expenditures made by
951 a nonparticipating candidate for the same nomination or primary. The
952 commission shall also issue a report on said determination.

953 (c) The commission shall establish a reserve account in the fund. The
954 first twenty-five thousand dollars deposited in the fund during any
955 year shall be placed in said account. The commission shall use moneys
956 in the reserve account only during the seven days preceding a primary
957 or an election for payments to candidates (1) whose payments were
958 reduced under subsection (b) of this section, or (2) who are entitled to
959 funding to match, during said seven-day period, independent
960 expenditures pursuant to section 18 of this act.

961 Sec. 22. Section 9-333a of the general statutes is repealed and the
962 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

963 As used in this chapter and this act:

964 (1) "Committee" means a party committee, political committee or a

965 candidate committee organized, as the case may be, for a single
966 primary, election or referendum, or for ongoing political activities, to
967 aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party, any one or
968 more candidates for public office or the position of town committee
969 member or any referendum question.

970 (2) "Party committee" means a state central committee or a town
971 committee. "Party committee" does not mean a party-affiliated or
972 district, ward or borough committee which receives all of its funds
973 from the state central committee of its party or from a single town
974 committee with the same party affiliation. Any such committee so
975 funded shall be construed to be a part of its state central or town
976 committee for purposes of this chapter and this act.

977 (3) "Political committee" means (A) a committee organized by a
978 business entity or organization, (B) persons other than individuals, or
979 two or more individuals organized or acting jointly conducting their
980 activities in or outside the state, (C) a committee established by a
981 candidate to determine the particular public office to which [he] such
982 candidate shall seek nomination or election, and referred to in this
983 chapter as an exploratory committee, [or] (D) a committee established
984 by or on behalf of a slate of candidates in a primary for the office of
985 justice of the peace, but does not mean a candidate committee or a
986 party committee, or (E) a legislative caucus committee.

987 (4) "Candidate committee" means any committee designated by a
988 single candidate, or established with the consent, authorization or
989 cooperation of a candidate, for the purpose of a single primary or
990 election and to aid or promote [his] such candidate's candidacy alone
991 for a particular public office or the position of town committee
992 member, but does not mean a political committee or a party
993 committee.

994 (5) "National committee" means the organization which according to
995 the bylaws of a political party is responsible for the day-to-day
996 operation of the party at the national level.

1097 (6) "Organization" means all labor organizations, (A) as defined in
1098 the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, as from
1099 time to time amended, or (B) as defined in subdivision (9) of section
1100 31-101, employee organizations as defined in subsection (d) of section
1101 5-270 and subdivision (6) of section 7-467, bargaining representative
1102 organizations for teachers, any local, state or national organization, to
1103 which a labor organization pays membership or per capita fees, based
1104 upon its affiliation or membership, and trade or professional
1105 associations which receive their funds exclusively from membership
1106 dues, whether organized in or outside of this state, but does not mean
1107 a candidate committee, party committee or a political committee.

1108 (7) "Business entity" means the following, whether organized in or
1109 outside of this state: Stock corporations, banks, insurance companies,
1110 business associations, bankers associations, insurance associations,
1111 trade or professional associations which receive funds from
1112 membership dues and other sources, partnerships, joint ventures,
1113 private foundations, as defined in Section 509 of the Internal Revenue
1114 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code
1115 of the United States, as from time to time amended; trusts or estates;
1116 corporations organized under sections 38a-175 to 38a-192, inclusive,
1117 38a-199 to 38a-209, inclusive, and 38a-214 to 38a-225, inclusive, and
1118 chapters 594 to 597, inclusive; cooperatives, and any other association,
1119 organization or entity which is engaged in the operation of a business
1120 or profit-making activity; but does not include professional service
1121 corporations organized under chapter 594a and owned by a single
1122 individual, nonstock corporations which are not engaged in business
1123 or profit-making activity, organizations, as defined in subdivision (6)
1124 of this section, candidate committees, party committees and political
1125 committees as defined in this section. For purposes of this chapter,
1126 corporations which are component members of a controlled group of
1127 corporations, as those terms are defined in Section 1563 of the Internal
1128 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal
1129 revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, shall
1130 be deemed to be one corporation.

1031 (8) "Individual" means a human being, a sole proprietorship, or a
1032 professional service corporation organized under chapter 594a and
1033 owned by a single human being.

1034 (9) "Person" means an individual, committee, firm, partnership,
1035 organization, association, syndicate, company trust, corporation,
1036 limited liability company or any other legal entity of any kind but does
1037 not mean the state or any political or administrative subdivision of the
1038 state.

1039 (10) "Candidate" means an individual who seeks nomination for
1040 election or election to public office whether or not such individual is
1041 elected, and for the purposes of this chapter and this act an individual
1042 shall be deemed to seek nomination for election or election if [he] such
1043 individual has (A) been endorsed by a party or become eligible for a
1044 position on the ballot at an election or primary, or (B) solicited or
1045 received contributions, made expenditures or given [his] such
1046 individual's consent to any other person to solicit or receive
1047 contributions or make expenditures with the intent to bring about his
1048 nomination for election or election to any such office. "Candidate" also
1049 means a slate of candidates which is to appear on the ballot in a
1050 primary for the office of justice of the peace. For the purposes of
1051 sections 9-333 to 9-333l, inclusive, as amended by this act, and section
1052 9-333w, "candidate" also means an individual who is a candidate in a
1053 primary for town committee members.

1054 (11) "Campaign treasurer" means the individual appointed by a
1055 candidate or by the [chairman] chairperson of a party committee or a
1056 political committee to receive and disburse funds on behalf of the
1057 candidate or committee.

1058 (12) "Deputy campaign treasurer" means the individual appointed
1059 by the candidate or by the [chairman] chairperson of a committee to
1060 serve in the capacity of the campaign treasurer if the campaign
1061 treasurer is unable to perform [his] the campaign treasurer's duties.

1062 (13) "Solicitor" means an individual appointed by a campaign

1063 treasurer of a committee to receive, but not to disburse, funds on
1064 behalf of the committee.

1065 (14) "Referendum question" means a question to be voted upon at
1066 any election or referendum, including a proposed constitutional
1067 amendment.

1068 (15) "Lobbyist" means a lobbyist as defined in subsection (l) of
1069 section 1-91.

1070 (16) "Business with which he is associated" means any business in
1071 which the contributor is a director, officer, owner, limited or general
1072 partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent or more of the total
1073 outstanding stock of any class. Officer refers only to the president,
1074 executive or senior vice-president or treasurer of such business.

1075 (17) "Independent expenditure" means an expenditure that is made
1076 without the consent, knowing participation, or consultation of, a
1077 candidate or agent of the candidate committee. "Independent
1078 expenditure" does not include an expenditure (A) if there is any
1079 coordination or direction with respect to the expenditure between the
1080 candidate or the treasurer, deputy treasurer or [chairman] chairperson
1081 of [his] such candidate committee and the person making the
1082 expenditure, or (B) if, during the same election cycle, the individual
1083 making the expenditure serves or has served as the treasurer, deputy
1084 treasurer or [chairman] chairperson of the candidate committee.

1085 (18) "Federal account" means a depository account that is subject to
1086 the disclosure and contribution limits provided under the Federal
1087 Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended from time to time.

1088 (19) "Public funds" means funds belonging to, or under the control
1089 of, the state or a political subdivision of the state.

1090 (20) "Legislative caucus committee" means a single committee
1091 designated by the majority of the members of a political party who are
1092 also state representatives or state senators, which designation is

1093 certified by the chairperson of the committee on the registration filed
1094 with the Secretary of the State. The committee shall be identified by the
1095 house of the General Assembly in which such legislators serve and the
1096 political party to which they belong.

1097 (21) "State contractor" means a person, business entity or non profit
1098 organization that has an agreement or contract with the state, or any
1099 department, agency, authority, council, division, board, bureau, office,
1100 commission thereof, or any quasi-public agency, either for the
1101 rendition of personal services, or furnishing of any material, supplies
1102 equipment, or for the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building,
1103 or which receives a grant, which separately is valued at fifty thousand
1104 dollars or more, or, is valued at one hundred thousand dollars or more
1105 in the aggregate for the fiscal year. State contractor shall not include
1106 any municipality or subdivision thereof or any state employee by
1107 reason of such employee's employment with the state.

1108 (22) "Prospective state contractor" means (A) a person, business
1109 entity or non profit organization that has submitted a bid to the state,
1110 or any department, agency, authority, council, division, board, bureau,
1111 office, commission thereof, or any quasi-public agency, either for the
1112 rendition of personal services, or furnishing of any material, supplies
1113 equipment, or for the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building,
1114 or for a grant; or (B) an entity who is pre-qualified pursuant to 4a-100.
1115 A person, business entity or non profit organization will cease to be a
1116 prospective state contractor once the contract for which a bid was
1117 submitted is issued if such person, business entity or non profit
1118 organization was not chosen for the contract and such person, business
1119 entity or non profit organization is not pre-qualified pursuant to 4a-
1120 100.

1121 (23) "Municipal contractor" means a person, business entity or non
1122 profit organization that has an agreement or contract with a
1123 municipality or subdivision thereof, either for the rendition of personal
1124 services, or furnishing of any material, supplies equipment, or for the
1125 acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, or which receives a

1126 grant, which separately is valued at fifty thousand dollars or more, or,
1127 is valued at one hundred thousand dollars or more in the aggregate for
1128 the fiscal year. Municipal contractor shall not include any employee of
1129 such municipality or political subdivision thereof by reason of such
1130 employee's employment with the municipality or political subdivision
1131 thereof.

1132 (24) "Prospective municipal contractor" means (A) a person,
1133 business entity or non profit organization that has submitted a bid to a
1134 municipality or subdivision thereof, either for the rendition of personal
1135 services, or furnishing of any material, supplies equipment, or for the
1136 acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, or for a grant. A
1137 person, business entity or non profit organization will cease to be a
1138 prospective municipal contractor once the contract for which a bid was
1139 submitted is issued if such person, business entity or non profit
1140 organization was not chosen for the contract.

1141 Sec. 23. Subsection (b) of section 9-333b of the general statutes is
1142 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1143 *passage*):

1144 (b) As used in this chapter, "contribution" does not mean:

1145 (1) A loan of money made in the ordinary course of business by a
1146 national or state bank;

1147 (2) Any communication made by a corporation, organization or
1148 association to its members, owners, stockholders, executive or
1149 administrative personnel, or their families;

1150 (3) Nonpartisan voter registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns
1151 by any corporation, organization or association aimed at its members,
1152 owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their
1153 families;

1154 (4) Uncompensated services provided by individuals volunteering
1155 their time;

1156 (5) The use of real or personal property, and the cost of invitations,
1157 food or beverages, voluntarily provided by an individual to a
1158 candidate or on behalf of a state central or town committee, in
1159 rendering voluntary personal services for candidate or party-related
1160 activities at the individual's residence, to the extent that the cumulative
1161 value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by the individual
1162 on behalf of any single candidate does not exceed two hundred dollars
1163 with respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central
1164 and town committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in any
1165 calendar year;

1166 (6) The sale of food or beverage for use in a candidate's campaign or
1167 for use by a state central or town committee at a discount, if the charge
1168 is not less than the cost to the vendor, to the extent that the cumulative
1169 value of the discount given to or on behalf of any single candidate does
1170 not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election,
1171 and on behalf of all state central and town committees does not exceed
1172 four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1173 (7) Any unreimbursed payment for travel expenses made by an
1174 individual who on the individual's own behalf volunteers the
1175 individual's personal services to any single candidate to the extent the
1176 cumulative value does not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to
1177 any single election, and on behalf of all state central or town
1178 committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1179 (8) The payment, by a party committee, political committee or an
1180 individual, of the costs of preparation, display, mailing or other
1181 distribution incurred by the committee or individual with respect to
1182 any printed slate card, sample ballot or other printed list containing
1183 the names of three or more candidates;

1184 (9) The donation of any item of personal property by an individual
1185 to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction,
1186 or the purchase by an individual of any such item at such an affair, to
1187 the extent that the cumulative value donated or purchased does not

1188 exceed fifty dollars;

1189 [(10) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies the
1190 purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair, provided the
1191 cumulative purchase of such space does not exceed two hundred fifty
1192 dollars from any single candidate or the candidate's committee with
1193 respect to any single election campaign or two hundred fifty dollars
1194 from any single party committee or other political committee in any
1195 calendar year if the purchaser is a business entity or fifty dollars for
1196 purchases by any other person;]

1197 [(11)] (10) The payment of money by a candidate to the candidate's
1198 candidate committee;

1199 [(12)] (11) The donation of goods or services by a business entity to a
1200 committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, to
1201 the extent that the cumulative value donated does not exceed one
1202 hundred dollars;

1203 [(13)] (12) The advance of a security deposit by an individual to a
1204 telephone company, as defined in section 16-1, for telecommunications
1205 service for a committee, provided the security deposit is refunded to
1206 the individual;

1207 [(14)] (13) The provision of facilities, equipment, technical and
1208 managerial support, and broadcast time by a community antenna
1209 television company, as defined in section 16-1, for community access
1210 programming pursuant to section 16-331a, unless (A) the major
1211 purpose of providing such facilities, equipment, support and time is to
1212 influence the nomination or election of a candidate, or (B) such
1213 facilities, equipment, support and time are provided on behalf of a
1214 political party; or

1215 [(15)] (14) The sale of food or beverage by a town committee to an
1216 individual at a town fair, county fair or similar mass gathering held
1217 within the state, to the extent that the cumulative payment made by
1218 any one individual for such items does not exceed fifty dollars.

1219 Sec. 24. Subsection (c) of section 9-333j of the general statutes is
1220 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1221 *passage*):

1222 (c) (1) Each statement filed under subsection (a), (e) or (f) of this
1223 section shall include, but not be limited to: (A) An itemized accounting
1224 of each contribution, if any, including the full name and complete
1225 address of each contributor and the amount of the contribution; (B) in
1226 the case of anonymous contributions, the total amount received and
1227 the denomination of the bills; (C) an itemized accounting of each
1228 expenditure, if any, including the full name and complete address of
1229 each payee, including secondary payees whenever the primary or
1230 principal payee is known to include charges which the primary payee
1231 has already paid or will pay directly to another person, vendor or
1232 entity, the amount and the purpose of the expenditure, the candidate
1233 supported or opposed by the expenditure, whether the expenditure is
1234 made independently of the candidate supported or is an in-kind
1235 contribution to the candidate, and a statement of the balance on hand
1236 or deficit, as the case may be; (D) an itemized accounting of each
1237 expense incurred but not paid, provided if the expense is incurred by
1238 use of a credit card, the accounting shall include secondary payees,
1239 and the amount owed to each such payee; (E) the name and address of
1240 any person who is the guarantor of a loan to, or the cosigner of a note
1241 with, the candidate on whose behalf the committee was formed, or the
1242 campaign treasurer in the case of a party committee or a political
1243 committee or who has advanced a security deposit to a telephone
1244 company, as defined in section 16-1, for telecommunications service
1245 for a committee; [(F) for each business entity or person purchasing
1246 advertising space in a program for a fund-raising affair, the name and
1247 address of the business entity or the name and address of the person,
1248 and the amount and aggregate amounts of such purchases; (G)] (F) for
1249 each individual who contributes in excess of one hundred dollars but
1250 not more than one thousand dollars, in the aggregate, to the extent
1251 known, the principal occupation of such individual and the name of
1252 the individual's employer, if any; [(H)] (G) for each individual who

1253 contributes in excess of one thousand dollars in the aggregate, the
1254 principal occupation of such individual, the name of the individual's
1255 employer, if any, and a statement indicating whether the individual or
1256 a business with which he is associated has a contract with the state
1257 which is valued at more than five thousand dollars; [(I)] (H) for each
1258 itemized contribution made by a lobbyist, the spouse of a lobbyist or
1259 any dependent child of a lobbyist who resides in the lobbyist's
1260 household, a statement to that effect, if applicable; and [(J)] (I) for each
1261 individual who contributes in excess of four hundred dollars in the
1262 aggregate to or for the benefit of any candidate's campaign for
1263 nomination at a primary or election to the office of chief executive
1264 officer of a town, city or borough, a statement indicating whether the
1265 individual or a business with which he is associated has a contract
1266 with said municipality that is valued at more than five thousand
1267 dollars. Each campaign treasurer shall include in such statement (i) an
1268 itemized accounting of the receipts and expenditures relative to any
1269 testimonial affair held under the provisions of section 9-333k or any
1270 other fund-raising affair, which is referred to in subsection (b) of
1271 section 9-333b, as amended by this act, and (ii) the date, location and a
1272 description of the affair.

1273 (2) Each contributor described in subparagraph [(G), (H), (I) or (J)]
1274 (F), (G), (H) or (I) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall, at the time
1275 the contributor makes such a contribution, provide the information
1276 which the campaign treasurer is required to include under said
1277 subparagraph in the statement filed under subsection (a), (e) or (f) of
1278 this section. Notwithstanding any provision of subdivision (2) of
1279 section 9-7b, any contributor described in subparagraph [(G)] (F) of
1280 subdivision (1) of this subsection who does not provide such
1281 information at the time the contributor makes such a contribution and
1282 any treasurer shall not be subject to the provisions of subdivision (2) of
1283 section 9-7b. If a campaign treasurer receives a contribution from an
1284 individual which separately, or in the aggregate, is in excess of one
1285 thousand dollars and the contributor has not provided the information
1286 required by [said] subparagraph [(H)] (G) of subdivision (1) of this

1287 subsection or if a campaign treasurer receives a contribution from an
1288 individual to or for the benefit of any candidate's campaign for
1289 nomination at a primary or election to the office of chief executive
1290 officer of a town, city or borough, which separately, or in the
1291 aggregate, is in excess of four hundred dollars and the contributor has
1292 not provided the information required by [said] subparagraph [(J)] (I)
1293 of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the campaign treasurer: (i) Within
1294 three business days after receiving the contribution, shall send a
1295 request for such information to the contributor by certified mail, return
1296 receipt requested; (ii) shall not deposit the contribution until the
1297 campaign treasurer obtains such information from the contributor,
1298 notwithstanding the provisions of section 9-333h; and (iii) shall return
1299 the contribution to the contributor if the contributor does not provide
1300 the required information within fourteen days after the treasurer's
1301 written request or the end of the reporting period in which the
1302 contribution was received, whichever is later. Any failure of a
1303 contributor to provide the information which the campaign treasurer is
1304 required to include under [said] subparagraph [(G) or (I)] (F) or (H) of
1305 subdivision (1) of this subsection, which results in noncompliance by
1306 the campaign treasurer with the provisions of said subparagraph [(G)
1307 or (I)] (F) or (H) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, shall be a
1308 complete defense to any action against the campaign treasurer for
1309 failure to disclose such information.

1310 (3) Contributions from a single individual to a campaign treasurer
1311 in the aggregate totaling thirty dollars or less need not be individually
1312 identified in the statement, but a sum representing the total amount of
1313 all such contributions made by all such individuals during the period
1314 to be covered by such statement shall be a separate entry, identified
1315 only by the words "total contributions from small contributors".

1316 (4) Statements filed in accordance with this section shall remain
1317 public records of the state for five years from the date such statements
1318 are filed.

1319 Sec. 25. Subsection (g) of section 9-333l of the general statutes is

1320 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1321 *passage*):

1322 (g) As used in this subsection, "immediate family" means any
1323 spouse or dependent child who resides in a lobbyist's household. Each
1324 lobbyist who is an individual and, in conjunction with members of his
1325 immediate family, makes contributions to or purchases from
1326 committees exceeding one thousand dollars in the aggregate during
1327 the twelve-month period beginning July 1, 1993, or July first in any
1328 year thereafter, shall file a statement, sworn under penalty of false
1329 statement, with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the
1330 provisions of section 9-333e, on the second Thursday in July following
1331 the end of such twelve-month period. The statement shall include: (1)
1332 The name of each committee to which the lobbyist or a member of his
1333 immediate family has made a contribution and the amount and date of
1334 each such contribution; and (2) the name of each committee from
1335 which the lobbyist or member of his immediate family has purchased
1336 any item of property [or advertising space in a program] in connection
1337 with a fund-raising event which is not considered a contribution under
1338 subsection (b) of section 9-333b, as amended by this act, and the
1339 amount, date and description of each such purchase. Each lobbyist
1340 who is an individual and who, in conjunction with members of his
1341 immediate family, does not make contributions to or purchases from
1342 committees exceeding one thousand dollars in the aggregate during
1343 any such twelve-month period shall file a statement, sworn under
1344 penalty of false statement, with the Secretary of the State in accordance
1345 with the provisions of section 9-333e, on the second Thursday in July,
1346 so indicating.

1347 Sec. 26. Subsection (e) of section 9-333l of the general statutes is
1348 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1349 *passage*):

1350 (e) For purposes of this subsection and subsection (f) of this section,
1351 the exclusions to the term "contribution" in subsection (b) of section 9-
1352 333b, as amended by this act, shall not apply; the term "state office"

means the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State; and the term "state officer" means the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, during any regular session of the General Assembly, during any special session of the General Assembly held between the adjournment of the regular session in an odd-numbered year and the convening of the regular session in the following even-numbered year or during any reconvened session of the General Assembly held in an odd-numbered year to reconsider vetoed bills, (1) no lobbyist or political committee established by or on behalf of a lobbyist shall make or offer to make a contribution to or on behalf of, and no lobbyist shall solicit a contribution on behalf of [(A) a candidate or exploratory committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly or a state office or (B) a political committee (i) established for an assembly or senatorial district, (ii) established by a member of the General Assembly or a state officer or such member or officer's agent, or in consultation with, or at the request or suggestion of, any such member, officer or agent, or (iii) controlled by such member, officer or agent, to aid or promote the nomination or election of any candidate or candidates to the General Assembly or a state office] a committee, and (2) no such [candidate or political] committee shall accept such a contribution. [The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a candidate committee established by a member of the General Assembly or a candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly, at a special election for the General Assembly, from the date on which the candidate or the chairman of the committee files the designation of a campaign treasurer and a depository institution under section 9-333d with the Secretary of the State, to the date on which the special election is held, inclusive, or to an exploratory committee established by a member of the General Assembly to promote his candidacy for an office other than the General Assembly.]

Sec. 27. Section 9-333n of the general statutes is repealed and the

1387 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1388 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions in any
1389 one calendar year in excess of five thousand dollars to the state central
1390 committee of any party, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant
1391 to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a town
1392 committee of any political party, or for the benefit of such committee
1393 pursuant to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a
1394 political committee other than (1) a political committee formed solely
1395 to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, (2) an
1396 exploratory committee, (3) a political committee established by an
1397 organization, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant to its
1398 authorization or request, or (4) a political committee formed by a slate
1399 of candidates in a primary for the office of justice of the peace of the
1400 same town.

1401 (b) No individual shall make a contribution to a political committee
1402 established by an organization which receives its funds from the
1403 organization's treasury. With respect to a political committee
1404 established by an organization which has complied with the provisions
1405 of subsection (b) or (c) of section 9-333p, and has elected to receive
1406 contributions, no individual other than a member of the organization
1407 may make contributions to the committee, in which case the individual
1408 may contribute not more than five hundred dollars in any one calendar
1409 year to such committee or for the benefit of such committee pursuant
1410 to its authorization or request.

1411 (c) In no event may any individual make contributions to a
1412 candidate committee and a political committee formed solely to
1413 support one candidate other than an exploratory committee or for the
1414 benefit of a candidate committee and a political committee formed
1415 solely to support one candidate pursuant to the authorization or
1416 request of any such committee, in an amount which in the aggregate is
1417 in excess of the maximum amount which may be contributed to the
1418 candidate.

1419 (d) Any individual may make unlimited contributions or
1420 expenditures to aid or promote the success or defeat of any
1421 referendum question, provided any individual who makes an
1422 expenditure or expenditures in excess of one thousand dollars to
1423 promote the success or defeat of any referendum question shall file
1424 statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as
1425 is required of a campaign treasurer of a political committee under
1426 section 9-333j.

1427 (e) (1) Any individual acting alone may, independent of any
1428 candidate, agent of the candidate, or committee, make unlimited
1429 expenditures to promote the success or defeat of any candidate's
1430 campaign for election, or nomination at a primary, to any office or
1431 position. [, provided] Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this
1432 subsection, any individual who makes an independent expenditure or
1433 expenditures in excess of one thousand dollars to promote the success
1434 or defeat of any candidate's campaign for election, or nomination at a
1435 primary, to any such office or position shall file statements according
1436 to the same schedule and in the same manner as is required of a
1437 campaign treasurer of a candidate committee under section 9-333j, as
1438 amended by this act.

1439 (2) Any person who makes or obligates to make an independent
1440 expenditure, as defined in section 9-333a, as amended by this act,
1441 intended to promote the success or defeat of a candidate for (A) the
1442 office of state senator or state representative, which exceeds one
1443 thousand dollars, in the aggregate, during a primary campaign or a
1444 general election campaign, as defined in section 6 of this act, on or after
1445 January 1, 2008, or (B) the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1446 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney
1447 General, during a primary campaign or a general election campaign, as
1448 so defined, on or after January 1, 2010, shall file a report of such
1449 independent expenditure to the State Elections Enforcement
1450 Commission. The report shall be in the same form as statements filed
1451 under section 9-333j, as amended by this act. If the person makes or
1452 obligates to make such independent expenditure more than twenty

1453 days before the day of a primary or election, the person shall file such
1454 report not later than forty-eight hours after such payment or
1455 obligation. If the person makes or obligates to make such independent
1456 expenditure twenty days or less before the day of a primary or
1457 election, the person shall file such report not later than twenty-four
1458 hours after such payment or obligation. The report shall be filed under
1459 penalty of false statement.

1460 (3) The independent expenditure report in subdivision (2) of this
1461 subsection shall include a statement (A) identifying the candidate for
1462 whom the independent expenditure is intended to promote the success
1463 or defeat, and (B) affirming that the expenditure is totally independent
1464 and involves no cooperation or coordination with or direction from a
1465 candidate or a political party.

1466 (4) Any person may file a complaint with the commission upon the
1467 belief that (A) any such independent expenditure report or statement
1468 is false, or (B) any person who is required to file an independent
1469 expenditure report under subdivision (2) of this subsection has failed
1470 to do so. The commission shall make a prompt determination on such
1471 a complaint.

1472 (f) (1) As used in this subsection and subsection (f) of section 9-333j,
1473 (A) "investment services" means investment legal services, investment
1474 banking services, investment advisory services, underwriting services,
1475 financial advisory services or brokerage firm services, and (B)
1476 "principal of an investment services firm" means (i) an individual who
1477 is a director of or has an ownership interest in an investment services
1478 firm to which the State Treasurer pays compensation, expenses or fees
1479 or issues a contract, except for an individual who owns less than five
1480 per cent of the shares of an investment services firm which is a
1481 publicly traded corporation, (ii) an individual who is employed by
1482 such an investment services firm as president, treasurer, or executive
1483 or senior vice president, (iii) an employee of such an investment
1484 services firm who has managerial or discretionary responsibilities with
1485 respect to any investment services provided to the State Treasurer, (iv)

1486 the spouse or a dependent child of an individual described in this
1487 subparagraph, or (v) a political committee established by or on behalf
1488 of an individual described in this subparagraph.

1489 (2) No principal of an investment services firm shall make a
1490 contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of, an exploratory
1491 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for
1492 nomination or election to the office of State Treasurer during the term
1493 of office of the State Treasurer who pays compensation, expenses or
1494 fees or issues a contract to such firm.

1495 (3) Neither the State Treasurer, the Deputy State Treasurer, any
1496 unclassified employee of the office of the State Treasurer acting on
1497 behalf of the State Treasurer or Deputy State Treasurer, any candidate
1498 for the office of State Treasurer, any member of the Investment
1499 Advisory Council established under section 3-13b nor any agent of any
1500 such candidate may solicit contributions on behalf of an exploratory
1501 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for
1502 nomination or election to any public office, a political committee or a
1503 party committee, from a principal of an investment services firm,
1504 except that the prohibition in this subsection shall not apply to an
1505 incumbent State Treasurer who establishes an exploratory committee
1506 or candidate committee for any public office other than State
1507 Treasurer.

1508 (4) No member of the Investment Advisory Council appointed
1509 under section 3-13b shall make a contribution to, or solicit
1510 contributions on behalf of, an exploratory committee or candidate
1511 committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the
1512 office of State Treasurer.

1513 (5) The provisions of this subsection shall not restrict an individual
1514 from establishing an exploratory or candidate committee for the
1515 individual's own campaign or from soliciting contributions for such
1516 committees from persons not prohibited from making contributions
1517 under this subsection.

1518 (g) (1) No individual who is an officer, director, manager, owner,
1519 limited or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent
1520 or more of the total outstanding stock of any class of a business or
1521 entity which is a state contractor or a prospective state contractor, and
1522 has substantial policy or decision-making authority related to the
1523 administration of said contract, or a political committee established by
1524 such business, or such individual's spouse or dependent child shall
1525 make a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant
1526 to the authorization or request of, (A) a candidate or a committee
1527 supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for nomination at a
1528 primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to the office of
1529 Governor; Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State
1530 Comptroller or Attorney General; State Treasurer, with regard to
1531 individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision (2) of
1532 subsection (f) of this section; state senator; state representative; (B) an
1533 exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus committee; or (D) a
1534 political committee established by (i) a state officer, or such officer's
1535 agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such candidate's agent; (iii) a
1536 member of the General Assembly or such member's agent; or (iv) a
1537 candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly, or such
1538 candidate's agent.

1539 (2) If any said individual or political committee makes such a
1540 contribution, the state contractor or prospective state contractor shall
1541 be prohibited from being awarded a state contract, or an extension or
1542 an amendment to a state contract, for one year after the election for
1543 which said contribution is made.

1544 (3) No such candidate or committee shall accept such a contribution.

1545 (h) (1) No individual who is an officer, director, manager, owner,
1546 limited or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent
1547 or more of the total outstanding stock of any class of a business or
1548 entity which is a state contractor or a prospective state contractor, and
1549 has substantial policy or decision-making authority related to the
1550 administration of said contract, or a political committee established by

1551 such business, or such individual's spouse or dependent child, may
1552 solicit a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant
1553 to the authorization or request of (A) a candidate or a committee
1554 supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for nomination at a
1555 primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to the office of
1556 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State
1557 Comptroller or Attorney General, State Treasurer, with regard to
1558 individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision (2) of
1559 subsection (f) of this section, state senator, state representative; (B) an
1560 exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus committee; or (D) a
1561 political committee established by (i) a state officer, or such officer's
1562 agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such candidate's agent; (iii) a
1563 member of the General Assembly or such member's agent; or (iv) a
1564 candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly, or such
1565 candidate's agent.

1566 (2) If any said individual or political committee makes such a
1567 solicitation, the state contractor or prospective state contractor shall be
1568 prohibited from being awarded a state contract, or an extension or an
1569 amendment to a state contract, for one year after the election for which
1570 said contribution is made.

1571 (i) (1) No lobbyist, spouse of a lobbyist, or dependent child of a
1572 lobbyist shall make a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit
1573 of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of (A) a candidate or a
1574 committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for
1575 nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to
1576 the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
1577 State Comptroller or Attorney General, State Treasurer, with regard to
1578 individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision (2) of
1579 subsection (f) of this section, state senator, state representative; (B) an
1580 exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus committee; or (D) a
1581 political committee established by (i) a state officer, or such officer's
1582 agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such candidate's agent; (iii) a
1583 member of the General Assembly or such member's agent; or (iv) a
1584 candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly, or such

1585 candidate's agent.

1586 (2) No such candidate or committee shall accept such a contribution.

1587 (j) No lobbyist, spouse of a lobbyist, or dependent child of a lobbyist
1588 may solicit a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or
1589 pursuant to the authorization or request of, (A) a candidate or a
1590 committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for
1591 nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to
1592 the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
1593 State Comptroller or Attorney General, State Treasurer, with regard to
1594 individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision (2) of
1595 subsection (f) of this section, state senator, state representative; (B) an
1596 exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus committee; or (D) a
1597 political committee established by (i) a state officer, or such officer's
1598 agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such candidate's agent; (iii) a
1599 member of the General Assembly or such member's agent; or (iv) a
1600 candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly, or such
1601 candidate's agent.

1602 Sec. 28. Section 9-333t of the general statutes is repealed and the
1603 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1604 (a) A political committee organized for ongoing political activities
1605 may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of [, a party
1606 committee;] any national committee of a political party; [a candidate
1607 committee;] or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state
1608 office. No political committee organized for ongoing political activities
1609 shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any
1610 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the
1611 office of: (1) Governor, in excess of five thousand dollars; (2)
1612 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State
1613 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of three thousand dollars;
1614 (3) state senator, chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, or
1615 judge of probate, in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars; (4)
1616 state representative, in excess of seven hundred fifty dollars; (5) an

1617 exploratory committee established by a candidate for nomination or
1618 election to any of said offices, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars; or
1619 (6) other municipal offices, in excess of three hundred seventy five
1620 dollars. No such political committee shall make a contribution or
1621 contributions in excess of two thousand dollars to another political
1622 committee in any calendar year. [except that a political committee
1623 organized by a business entity may make unlimited contributions to,
1624 or for the benefit of, another political committee organized by a
1625 business entity. No political committee organized for ongoing political
1626 activities shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred fifty
1627 dollars to an exploratory committee.] No such political committee shall
1628 make a contribution or contributions in excess of seven thousand five
1629 hundred dollars to a state central committee in any calendar year. No
1630 such political committee shall make a contribution or contributions in
1631 excess of one thousand five hundred dollars to a town committee in
1632 any calendar year. If such an ongoing committee is established by an
1633 organization or a business entity, its contributions shall be subject to
1634 the limits imposed by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive, as amended
1635 by this act. A political committee organized for ongoing political
1636 activities may make contributions to a charitable organization which is
1637 a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal
1638 Revenue Code, as from time to time amended, or make memorial
1639 contributions.

1640 (b) A political committee organized for ongoing political activities
1641 may receive contributions from the federal account of a national
1642 committee of a political party, but may not receive contributions from
1643 any other account of a national committee of a political party or from a
1644 committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office.

1645 (c) No member of the General Assembly or such member's agent, or
1646 a candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly or
1647 such candidate's agent, may establish more than one political
1648 committee to aid or promote the nomination or election of any
1649 candidate or candidates to the General Assembly or a state office,
1650 except that the members of the same political party in a house of the

1651 General Assembly may establish only one legislative caucus
1652 committee.

1653 (d) (1) No political committee established by or on behalf of a
1654 lobbyist shall make a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit
1655 of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of, (A) a candidate or a
1656 committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for
1657 nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to
1658 the office of (i) Governor; (ii) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the
1659 State, State Comptroller or Attorney General; (iii) State Treasurer, with
1660 regard to individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision
1661 (2) of subsection (f) of this section; (iv) state senator; (v) state
1662 representative; (B) an exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus
1663 committee; or (D) a political committee established by (i) a state officer,
1664 or such officer's agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such
1665 candidate's agent; (iii) a member of the General Assembly or such
1666 member's agent, (iv) or a candidate for nomination or election to the
1667 General Assembly, or such candidate's agent.

1668 (2) No such candidate or committee shall accept such a contribution.

1669 (e) No political committee established by or on behalf of a lobbyist
1670 may solicit a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or
1671 pursuant to the authorization or request of, (A) a candidate or a
1672 committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for
1673 nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to
1674 the office of (i) Governor; (ii) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the
1675 State, State Comptroller or Attorney General; (iii) State Treasurer, with
1676 regard to individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision
1677 (2) of subsection (f) of this section; (iv) state senator; (v) state
1678 representative; (B) an exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus
1679 committee; or (D) a political committee established by (i) a state officer,
1680 or such officer's agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such
1681 candidate's agent; (iii) a member of the General Assembly or such
1682 member's agent, (iv) or a candidate for nomination or election to the
1683 General Assembly, or such candidate's agent.

1684 (f) No legislative caucus committee shall make a contribution or
1685 contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or
1686 request of any committee other than a candidate committee for state
1687 senator or state representative. No legislative caucus committee shall
1688 make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any
1689 candidate committee for: (1) State senator, in excess of ten thousand
1690 dollars; or (2) state representative, in excess of five thousand dollars.

1691 Sec. 29. Subsection (a) of section 9-333e of the general statutes is
1692 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1693 *passage*):

1694 (a) Statements filed by party committees, political committees
1695 formed to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum
1696 question proposing a constitutional convention, constitutional
1697 amendment or revision of the Constitution, individual lobbyists, and
1698 those political committees and candidate committees formed to aid or
1699 promote the success or defeat of any candidate for the office of
1700 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,
1701 State Comptroller, Attorney General, judge of probate and members of
1702 the General Assembly, shall be filed with the office of the Secretary of
1703 the State. On and after January 1, 2008, a copy of each statement filed
1704 by a candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success of any
1705 candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of
1706 the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney General, state
1707 senator or state representative shall be filed at the same time with the
1708 State Elections Enforcement Commission. A copy of each statement
1709 filed by a town committee shall be filed at the same time with the town
1710 clerk of the municipality in which the committee is situated. A political
1711 committee formed for a slate of candidates in a primary for the office
1712 of justice of the peace shall file statements with both the Secretary of
1713 the State and the town clerk of the municipality in which the primary
1714 is to be held.

1715 Sec. 30. Subsection (a) of section 9-333k of the general statutes is
1716 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*

1717 *passage*):

1718 a) The chairman of each party committee shall designate a campaign
1719 treasurer and may designate a deputy campaign treasurer, or in the
1720 case of a state central committee, not more than two deputy campaign
1721 treasurers. The campaign treasurer and any deputy campaign
1722 treasurers so designated shall sign a statement accepting the
1723 designation, which shall be filed with the proper authority with the
1724 statement of designation required under subdivision (1) of subsection
1725 (a) of section 9-333d. No state central committee or town committee
1726 shall establish a committee other than a single party committee for
1727 purposes of this chapter. The members of the same political party in a
1728 house of the General Assembly may establish only one legislative
1729 caucus committee. A party committee or a political committee
1730 organized for ongoing political activities shall form no other political
1731 committees, except that two or more such committees may join to form
1732 a political committee for the purpose of a single fund-raising event.

1733 Sec. 31. Subsection (a) of section 9-333m of the general statutes is
1734 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
1735 *November 8, 2006*):

1736 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions to, for
1737 the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of, a
1738 candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's
1739 campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign
1740 for election, to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of [two thousand
1741 five hundred] three thousand five hundred dollars; (2) Lieutenant
1742 Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or
1743 Attorney General, in excess of [one thousand five hundred] two
1744 thousand dollars; (3) state senator, probate judge, or chief executive
1745 officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of one thousand dollars; (4)
1746 [state senator or probate judge,] state representative, in excess of five
1747 hundred dollars; or (5) [state representative or] any other office of a
1748 municipality not [previously] specifically included in this subsection,
1749 in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. The limits imposed by this

1750 subsection shall be applied separately to primaries and elections.

1751 Sec. 32. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 9-333n of the general
1752 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
1753 (*Effective November 8, 2006*):

1754 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions in any
1755 one calendar year in excess of five thousand dollars to the state central
1756 committee of any party, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant
1757 to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a town
1758 committee of any political party, or for the benefit of such committee
1759 pursuant to its authorization or request; or [one thousand] seven
1760 hundred fifty dollars to a political committee other than (1) a political
1761 committee formed solely to aid or promote the success or defeat of a
1762 referendum question, (2) an exploratory committee, (3) [a political
1763 committee established by an organization, or for the benefit of such
1764 committee pursuant to its authorization or request] a legislative caucus
1765 committee, or (4) a political committee formed by a slate of candidates
1766 in a primary for the office of justice of the peace of the same town. No
1767 individual shall make a contribution or contributions in any one
1768 calendar year in excess of one thousand dollars to a legislative caucus
1769 committee.

1770 (b) No individual shall make a contribution to a political committee
1771 established by an organization which receives its funds from the
1772 organization's treasury. With respect to a political committee
1773 established by an organization which has complied with the provisions
1774 of subsection (b) or (c) of section 9-333p, and has elected to receive
1775 contributions, no individual other than a member of the organization
1776 may make contributions to the committee, in which case the individual
1777 may contribute not more than [five hundred] seven hundred fifty
1778 dollars in any one calendar year to such committee or for the benefit of
1779 such committee pursuant to its authorization or request.

1780 Sec. 33. Section 9-333o of the general statutes is repealed and the
1781 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective November 8, 2006*):

1782 (a) No business entity shall make any contributions or expenditures
1783 to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for election to any
1784 public office or position subject to this chapter or for nomination at a
1785 primary for any such office or position, or to promote the defeat of any
1786 candidate for any such office or position, or to promote the success or
1787 defeat of any political party, except as provided in subsection (b) of
1788 this section.

1789 (b) A business entity may make reasonable and necessary transfers
1790 or disbursements to or for the benefit of a political committee
1791 established by such business entity, for the administration of, or
1792 solicitation of contributions to, such political committee. Nonmonetary
1793 contributions by a business entity which are incidental in nature and
1794 are directly attributable to the administration of such political
1795 committee shall be exempt from the reporting requirements of this
1796 chapter. No business entity shall form more than one political
1797 committee.

1798 (c) The provisions of this section shall not preclude a business entity
1799 from making contributions or expenditures to promote the success or
1800 defeat of a referendum question.

1801 (d) A political committee organized by a business entity shall not
1802 make a contribution or contributions to or for the benefit of any
1803 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or any candidate's
1804 campaign for election to the office of: (1) Governor, in excess of five
1805 thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
1806 Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of three
1807 thousand dollars; (3) state senator, probate judge or chief executive
1808 officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of one thousand five
1809 hundred dollars; (4) state representative, in excess of [five hundred]
1810 seven hundred fifty dollars; or (5) any other office of a municipality
1811 not included in subdivision (3) of this subsection, in excess of [two
1812 hundred fifty] three hundred seventy-five dollars; or an exploratory
1813 committee, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. The limits imposed
1814 by this subsection shall apply separately to primaries and elections and

1815 contributions by any such committee to candidates designated in this
1816 subsection shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars in the
1817 aggregate for any single election and primary preliminary thereto.
1818 Contributions to such committees shall also be subject to the
1819 provisions of section 9-333t in the case of committees formed for
1820 ongoing political activity or section 9-333u in the case of committees
1821 formed for a single election or primary.

1822 (e) [A political committee organized by a business entity may make
1823 unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, another political
1824 committee organized by a business entity or to a party committee. No
1825 political committee organized by a business entity shall make a
1826 contribution to an exploratory committee in excess of two hundred
1827 fifty dollars. No such] No political committee organized by a business
1828 entity shall make a contribution or contributions in excess of two
1829 thousand dollars to any other kind of political committee, in any one
1830 calendar year if organized for ongoing political activities, or if formed
1831 for a single primary, election or referendum, with respect to such
1832 primary, election or referendum, other than a party committee. No
1833 political committee organized by a business entity shall make a
1834 contribution or contributions in any one calendar year in excess of (1)
1835 seven thousand five hundred dollars to a state central committee; or (2)
1836 one thousand five hundred dollars to a town committee.

1837 (f) As used in this subsection, "investment services" means
1838 investment legal services, investment banking services, investment
1839 advisory services, underwriting services, financial advisory services or
1840 brokerage firm services. No political committee established by a firm
1841 which provides investment services and to which the State Treasurer
1842 pays compensation, expenses or fees or issues a contract shall make a
1843 contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of, an exploratory
1844 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for
1845 nomination or election to the office of State Treasurer during the term
1846 of office of the State Treasurer who does business with such firm.

1847 Sec. 34. Section 9-333q of the general statutes is repealed and the

1848 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective November 8, 2006*):

1849 (a) No political committee established by an organization shall
1850 make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any
1851 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the
1852 office of: (1) Governor, in excess of [two thousand five hundred] five
1853 thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
1854 Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of [one
1855 thousand five hundred] three thousand dollars; (3) [chief executive
1856 officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of one thousand dollars;
1857 (4)] chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, state senator or
1858 probate judge, in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars; [or (5)]
1859 (4) state representative, [or] in excess of seven hundred fifty dollars; or
1860 (5) any other office of a municipality not previously included in this
1861 subsection, in excess of [two hundred fifty] three hundred seventy-five
1862 dollars.

1863 (b) No such committee shall make a contribution or contributions to,
1864 or for the benefit of, an exploratory committee, in excess of two
1865 hundred fifty dollars. Any such committee may make unlimited
1866 contributions to a political committee formed solely to aid or promote
1867 the success or defeat of a referendum question.

1868 (c) The limits imposed by subsection (a) of this section shall apply
1869 separately to primaries and elections and no such committee shall
1870 make contributions to the candidates designated in this section which
1871 in the aggregate exceed fifty thousand dollars for any single election
1872 and primary preliminary thereto.

1873 (d) No political committee established by an organization shall
1874 make contributions in any one calendar year to, or for the benefit of, (1)
1875 the state central committee of a political party, in excess of [five
1876 thousand] seven thousand five hundred dollars; (2) a town committee,
1877 in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars; or (3) any political
1878 committee, other than an exploratory committee or a committee
1879 formed solely to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum

1880 question, in excess of two thousand dollars.

1881 (e) No political committee established by an organization shall make
1882 contributions to the committees designated in subsection (d) of this
1883 section, which in the aggregate exceed fifteen thousand dollars in any
1884 one calendar year. Contributions to a political committee established
1885 by an organization shall also be subject to the provisions of section 9-
1886 333t in the case of a committee formed for ongoing political activity or
1887 section 9-333u in the case of a committee formed for a single election or
1888 primary.

1889 Sec. 35. Section 9-333s of the general statutes is repealed and the
1890 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1891 (a) A party committee may make unlimited contributions to, or for
1892 the benefit of, any of the following: (1) Another party committee; (2) [a
1893 candidate committee; (3)] a national committee of a political party; [(4)]
1894 or (3) a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office.]; or
1895 (5) a political committee.]

1896 (b) No state central committee shall make a contribution or
1897 contributions to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for
1898 nomination at a primary or for election to the office of: (1) Governor, in
1899 excess of fifty thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of
1900 the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney General, in
1901 excess of thirty five thousand dollars; (3) state senator, chief executive
1902 officer of a town, city or borough, or probate judge, in excess of ten
1903 thousand dollars; (4) state representative, in excess of five thousand
1904 dollars; (5) any other office of a municipality not previously included
1905 in this subsection, in excess of five thousand dollars; or (6) an
1906 exploratory committee establish by a candidate for nomination or
1907 election to any of said offices, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars.
1908 No state central committee shall make a contribution or contributions
1909 to, or for the benefit of, in any one calendar year in excess of two
1910 thousand five hundred dollars to a political committee, except a
1911 legislative caucus committee. No state central committee shall make a

1912 contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, in any one
1913 calendar year in excess of ten thousand dollars to a legislative caucus
1914 committee.

1915 (c) No town committee shall make a contribution or contributions
1916 to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a
1917 primary or for election to the office of: (1) Governor, in excess of seven
1918 thousand five hundred dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of
1919 the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney General, in
1920 excess of five thousand dollars; (3) state senator, chief executive officer
1921 of a town, city or borough, or probate judge, in excess of three
1922 thousand dollars; (4) state representative, or any other office of a
1923 municipality not previously included in this subsection, in excess of
1924 one thousand five hundred dollars; or (5) an exploratory committee
1925 establish by a candidate for nomination or election to any of said
1926 offices, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. No town committee shall
1927 make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, in any
1928 one calendar year in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars to a
1929 political committee, except a legislative caucus committee. No town
1930 committee shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the
1931 benefit of, in any one calendar year in excess of two thousand dollars
1932 to a legislative caucus committee.

1933 (d) A party committee may also make contributions to a charitable
1934 organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section
1935 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time amended,
1936 or make memorial contributions. A town committee may also
1937 contribute to a scholarship awarded by a high school on the basis of
1938 objective criteria.

1939 [(b)] (e) A party committee may receive contributions from a federal
1940 account of a national committee of a political party, but may not
1941 receive contributions from any other account of a national committee
1942 of a political party or from a committee of a candidate for federal or
1943 out-of-state office, for use in the election of candidates subject to the
1944 provisions of this chapter.

1945 Sec. 36. Section 9-333u of the general statutes is repealed and the
1946 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1947 (a) [A] No political committee established for a single primary or
1948 election [may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
1949 party committee or a candidate committee, but] shall make a
1950 contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's
1951 campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the office of:
1952 (1) Governor, in excess of five thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant
1953 Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or
1954 Attorney General, in excess of three thousand dollars; (3) state senator,
1955 chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, or judge of probate,
1956 in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars; (4) state representative,
1957 in excess of seven hundred fifty dollars; (5) an exploratory committee
1958 established by a candidate for nomination or election to any of said
1959 offices, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars; or (6) other municipal
1960 offices, in excess of three hundred seventy five dollars, and no such
1961 political committee shall make contributions to a national committee,
1962 or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office. If such a
1963 political committee is established by an organization or a business
1964 entity, its contributions shall also be subject to the limitations imposed
1965 by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive, as amended by this act. No
1966 political committee formed for a single election or primary shall, with
1967 respect to such election or primary make a contribution or
1968 contributions in excess of two thousand dollars to another political
1969 committee [, provided no such political committee shall make a
1970 contribution in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to an exploratory
1971 committee] in any calendar year. No such political committee shall
1972 make a contribution or contributions in excess of seven thousand five
1973 hundred dollars to a state central committee in any calendar year. No
1974 such political committee shall make a contribution or contributions in
1975 excess of one thousand five hundred dollars to a town committee in
1976 any calendar year.

1977 (b) A political committee established for a single primary or election
1978 shall not receive contributions from a committee of a candidate for

1979 federal or out-of-state office or from a national committee.

1980 Sec. 37. Subsection (b) of section 9-333y of the general statutes is
1981 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1982 *passage*):

1983 (b) If any campaign treasurer or lobbyist fails to file the statements
1984 required by section 9-333j, as amended by this act, or subsection (g) of
1985 section 9-333l, as amended by this act, as the case may be, within the
1986 time required, [he] the campaign treasurer or lobbyist shall pay a late
1987 filing fee of fifty-five dollars. In the case of a statement that is required
1988 to be filed with the Secretary of the State, the secretary shall, within ten
1989 days after the filing deadline, notify by certified mail, return receipt
1990 requested, the person required to file that, if such statement is not filed
1991 within twenty-one days after the deadline, the person is in violation of
1992 said section or subsection. If the person does not file such statement
1993 within twenty-one days after the deadline, the secretary shall notify
1994 the State Elections Enforcement Commission within twenty-eight days
1995 after the deadline. In the case of a copy of a statement that is required
1996 to be filed with the State Elections Enforcement Commission, the
1997 commission shall, not later than ten days after the filing deadline,
1998 notify, by certified mail, return receipt requested, the person required
1999 to file that if such statement is not filed not later than twenty-one days
2000 after the deadline, the person is in violation of section 9-333j, as
2001 amended by this act. In the case of a statement that is required to be
2002 filed with a town clerk, the town clerk shall forthwith after the filing
2003 deadline notify by certified mail, return receipt requested, the person
2004 required to file that, if such statement is not filed within seven days
2005 after receiving such notice, the town clerk shall notify the State
2006 Elections Enforcement Commission that the person is in violation of
2007 said section or subsection. The penalty for any violation of said section
2008 or subsection shall be a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or
2009 imprisonment for not more than one year or both.

2010 Sec. 38. Section 9-7b of the general statutes is repealed and the
2011 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2012 (a) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall have the
2013 following duties and powers:

2014 (1) To make investigations on its own initiative or with respect to
2015 statements filed with the commission by the Secretary of the State or
2016 any town clerk, or upon written complaint under oath by any
2017 individual, with respect to alleged violations of any provision of the
2018 general statutes and this act relating to any election or referendum, any
2019 primary held pursuant to section 9-423, 9-425 or 9-464 or any primary
2020 held pursuant to a special act, and to hold hearings when the
2021 commission deems necessary to investigate violations of any
2022 provisions of the general statutes or this act relating to any such
2023 election, primary or referendum, and for the purpose of such hearings
2024 the commission may administer oaths, examine witnesses and receive
2025 oral and documentary evidence, and shall have the power to subpoena
2026 witnesses under procedural rules the commission shall adopt, to
2027 compel their attendance and to require the production for examination
2028 of any books and papers which the commission deems relevant to any
2029 matter under investigation or in question. In connection with its
2030 investigation of any alleged violation of any provision of chapter 145,
2031 or of any provision of section 9-359 or section 9-359a, the commission
2032 shall also have the power to subpoena any municipal clerk and to
2033 require the production for examination of any absentee ballot, inner
2034 and outer envelope from which any such ballot has been removed,
2035 depository envelope containing any such ballot or inner or outer
2036 envelope as provided in sections 9-150a and 9-150b and any other
2037 record, form or document as provided in section 9-150b, in connection
2038 with the election, primary or referendum to which the investigation
2039 relates. In case of a refusal to comply with any subpoena issued
2040 pursuant to this subsection or to testify with respect to any matter
2041 upon which that person may be lawfully interrogated, the superior
2042 court for the judicial district of Hartford, on application of the
2043 commission, may issue an order requiring such person to comply with
2044 such subpoena and to testify; failure to obey any such order of the
2045 court may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof. In any

2046 matter under investigation which concerns the operation or inspection
2047 of or outcome recorded on any voting machine, the commission may
2048 issue an order to the municipal clerk to impound such machine until
2049 the investigation is completed;

2050 (2) To levy a civil penalty not to exceed (A) two thousand dollars
2051 per offense against any person the commission finds to be in violation
2052 of any provision of chapter 145, part V of chapter 146, part I of chapter
2053 147, chapter 148, section 9-12, subsection (a) of section 9-17, section 9-
2054 19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a, 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-
2055 23o, inclusive, 9-23r, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-
2056 43, 9-50a, 9-56, 9-59, 9-168d, 9-170, 9-171, 9-172, 9-232i to 9-232o,
2057 inclusive, 9-404a to 9-404c, inclusive, 9-409, 9-410, 9-412, 9-436, 9-436a,
2058 9-453e to 9-453h, inclusive, 9-453k or 9-453o, or (B) two thousand
2059 dollars per offense or twice the amount of any improper payment or
2060 contribution, whichever is greater, against any person the commission
2061 finds to be in violation of any provision of chapter 150 or this act. The
2062 commission may levy a civil penalty against any person under
2063 subparagraph (A) or (B) of this subdivision only after giving the
2064 person an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in
2065 accordance with sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive. In the case of
2066 failure to pay any such penalty levied pursuant to this subsection
2067 within thirty days of written notice sent by certified or registered mail
2068 to such person, the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford,
2069 on application of the commission, may issue an order requiring such
2070 person to pay the penalty imposed and such court costs, state
2071 marshal's fees and attorney's fees incurred by the commission as the
2072 court may determine. Any civil penalties paid, collected or recovered
2073 under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision for a violation of any
2074 provision of chapter 150 applying to the office of the Treasurer shall be
2075 deposited on a pro rata basis in any trust funds, as defined in section 3-
2076 13c, affected by such violation;

2077 (3) (A) To issue an order requiring any person the commission finds
2078 to have received any contribution or payment which is prohibited by
2079 any of the provisions of chapter 150, after an opportunity to be heard

2080 at a hearing conducted in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-
2081 176e to 4-184, inclusive, to return such contribution or payment to the
2082 donor or payor, or to remit such contribution or payment to the state
2083 for deposit in the General Fund, whichever is deemed necessary to
2084 effectuate the purposes of chapter 150;

2085 (B) To issue an order when the commission finds that an intentional
2086 violation of any provision of chapter 150 has been committed, after an
2087 opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with
2088 sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive, which order may contain one or
2089 more of the following sanctions: (i) Removal of a campaign treasurer,
2090 deputy campaign treasurer or solicitor; (ii) prohibition on serving as a
2091 campaign treasurer, deputy campaign treasurer or solicitor, for a
2092 period not to exceed four years; and (iii) in the case of a party
2093 committee or a political committee, suspension of all political
2094 activities, including, but not limited to, the receipt of contributions and
2095 the making of expenditures, provided the commission may not order
2096 such a suspension unless the commission has previously ordered the
2097 removal of the campaign treasurer and notifies the officers of the
2098 committee that the commission is considering such suspension;

2099 (C) To issue an order revoking any person's eligibility to be
2100 appointed or serve as an election, primary or referendum official or
2101 unofficial checker or in any capacity at the polls on the day of an
2102 election, primary or referendum, when the commission finds such
2103 person has intentionally violated any provision of the general statutes
2104 relating to the conduct of an election, primary or referendum, after an
2105 opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with
2106 sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;

2107 (D) To issue an order to enforce the provisions of the Help America
2108 Vote Act, P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time, as the
2109 commission deems appropriate;

2110 (4) To issue an order to a candidate committee that receives moneys
2111 from the Citizens' Election Fund pursuant to this act, to comply with

2112 the provisions of this act after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing
2113 conducted in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-176e to 4-
2114 184, inclusive;

2115 ~~[(4)]~~ (5) To inspect or audit at any reasonable time and upon
2116 reasonable notice the accounts or records of any campaign treasurer or
2117 principal campaign treasurer, as required by chapter 150 and to audit
2118 any such election, primary or referendum held within the state;
2119 provided, (A) (i) not later than two months preceding the day of an
2120 election at which a candidate is seeking election, the commission shall
2121 complete any audit it has initiated in the absence of a complaint that
2122 involves a committee of the same candidate from a previous election,
2123 and (ii) during the two-month period preceding the day of an election
2124 at which a candidate is seeking election, the commission shall not
2125 initiate an audit in the absence of a complaint that involves a
2126 committee of the same candidate from a previous election, and (B) the
2127 commission shall not audit any caucus, as defined in subdivision (1) of
2128 section 9-372;

2129 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) To attempt to secure voluntary compliance, by informal
2130 methods of conference, conciliation and persuasion, with any
2131 provision of chapters 149 to 153, inclusive, or any other provision of
2132 the general statutes relating to any such election, primary or
2133 referendum;

2134 ~~[(6)]~~ (7) To consult with the Secretary of the State, the Chief State's
2135 Attorney or the Attorney General on any matter which the commission
2136 deems appropriate;

2137 ~~[(7)]~~ (8) To refer to the Chief State's Attorney evidence bearing upon
2138 violation of any provision of chapters 149 to 153, inclusive, or any
2139 other provision of the general statutes pertaining to or relating to any
2140 such election, primary or referendum;

2141 ~~[(8)]~~ (9) To refer to the Attorney General evidence for injunctive
2142 relief and any other ancillary equitable relief in the circumstances of
2143 subdivision (7) of this subsection. Nothing in this subdivision shall

2144 preclude a person who claims that he is aggrieved by a violation of any
2145 provision of chapter 152 or any other provision of the general statutes
2146 relating to referenda from pursuing injunctive and any other ancillary
2147 equitable relief directly from the Superior Court by the filing of a
2148 complaint;

2149 [(9)] (10) To refer to the Attorney General evidence pertaining to any
2150 ruling which the commission finds to be in error made by election
2151 officials in connection with any election, primary or referendum. Those
2152 remedies and procedures available to parties claiming to be aggrieved
2153 under the provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, 9-328 and 9-329a shall
2154 apply to any complaint brought by the Attorney General as a result of
2155 the provisions of this subdivision;

2156 [(10)] (11) To consult with the United States Department of Justice
2157 and the United States Attorney for Connecticut on any investigation
2158 pertaining to a violation of this section, section 9-12, subsection (a) of
2159 section 9-17 or section 9-19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a,
2160 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-23o, inclusive, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-
2161 35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-43, 9-50a, 9-56 or 9-59 and to refer to said department
2162 and attorney evidence bearing upon any such violation for prosecution
2163 under the provisions of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993,
2164 P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time;

2165 [(11)] (12) To inspect reports filed with the Secretary of the State and
2166 with town clerks pursuant to chapter 150 and refer to the Chief State's
2167 Attorney evidence bearing upon any violation of law therein if such
2168 violation was committed knowingly and wilfully;

2169 [(12)] (13) To intervene in any action brought pursuant to the
2170 provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, 9-328 and 9-329a upon application
2171 to the court in which such action is brought when in the opinion of the
2172 court it is necessary to preserve evidence of possible criminal violation
2173 of the election laws;

2174 [(13)] (14) To adopt and publish regulations pursuant to chapter 54
2175 to carry out the provisions of section 9-7a, this section and chapter 150;

2176 to issue upon request and publish advisory opinions in the
2177 Connecticut Law Journal upon the requirements of chapter 150, and to
2178 make recommendations to the General Assembly concerning
2179 suggested revisions of the election laws;

2180 [(14)] (15) To the extent that the Elections Enforcement Commission
2181 is involved in the investigation of alleged or suspected criminal
2182 violations of any provision of the general statutes pertaining to or
2183 relating to any such election, primary or referendum and is engaged in
2184 such investigation for the purpose of presenting evidence to the Chief
2185 State's Attorney, the Elections Enforcement Commission shall be
2186 deemed a law enforcement agency for purposes of subdivision (3) of
2187 subsection (b) of section 1-210, provided nothing in this section shall be
2188 construed to exempt the Elections Enforcement Commission in any
2189 other respect from the requirements of the Freedom of Information
2190 Act, as defined in section 1-200;

2191 [(15)] (16) To enter into such contractual agreements as may be
2192 necessary for the discharge of its duties, within the limits of its
2193 appropriated funds and in accordance with established procedures;

2194 [(16)] (17) To provide the Secretary of the State with notice and
2195 copies of all decisions rendered by the commission in contested cases,
2196 advisory opinions and declaratory judgments, at the time such
2197 decisions, judgments and opinions are made or issued;

2198 [(17)] (18) To receive and determine complaints filed under the Help
2199 America Vote Act, P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time, by any
2200 person who believes there is a violation of any provision of Title III of
2201 P.L. 107-252, as amended. Any complaint filed under this subdivision
2202 shall be in writing, notarized and signed and sworn by the person
2203 filing the complaint. At the request of the complainant, there shall be a
2204 hearing on the record, conducted in accordance with sections 4-167e to
2205 4-184, inclusive. The commission shall make a final determination with
2206 respect to a complaint prior to the expiration of the ninety-day period
2207 beginning on the date the complaint is filed, unless the complainant

2208 consents to a longer period for making such determination. If the
2209 commission fails to meet the applicable deadline under this
2210 subdivision with respect to a complaint, the commission shall resolve
2211 the complaint within sixty days after the expiration of such ninety-day
2212 period under an alternative dispute resolution procedure established
2213 by the commission.

2214 (b) In the case of a refusal to comply with an order of the
2215 commission issued pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this
2216 section, the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on
2217 application of the commission, may issue a further order to comply.
2218 Failure to obey such further order may be punished by the court as a
2219 contempt thereof.

2220 Sec. 39. Section 9-324 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2221 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2222 Any elector or candidate who claims that [he] such elector or
2223 candidate is aggrieved by any ruling of any election official in
2224 connection with any election for Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
2225 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, State
2226 Comptroller or judge of probate, held in [his] such elector's or
2227 candidate's town, or that there has been a mistake in the count of the
2228 votes cast at such election for candidates for said offices or any of
2229 them, at any voting district in [his] such elector's or candidate's town,
2230 or any candidate for such an office who claims that [he] such candidate
2231 is aggrieved by a violation of any provision of [sections] section 9-355,
2232 9-357 to 9-361, inclusive, 9-364, 9-364a or 9-365 in the casting of
2233 absentee ballots at such election, or any candidate for the office of
2234 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,
2235 Attorney General or State Comptroller, who claims that such candidate
2236 is aggrieved by a violation of any provision of this act, may bring [his]
2237 such elector's or candidate's complaint to any judge of the Superior
2238 Court, in which [he] such elector or candidate shall set out the claimed
2239 errors of such election official, the claimed errors in the count or the
2240 claimed violations of said sections. In any action brought pursuant to

2241 the provisions of this section, the complainant shall send a copy of the
2242 complaint by first-class mail, or deliver a copy of the complaint by
2243 hand, to the State Elections Enforcement Commission. If such
2244 complaint is made prior to such election, such judge shall proceed
2245 expeditiously to render judgment on the complaint and shall cause
2246 notice of the hearing to be given to the Secretary of the State and the
2247 State Elections Enforcement Commission. If such complaint is made
2248 subsequent to the election, it shall be brought [within] not later than
2249 fourteen days of the election and such judge shall forthwith order a
2250 hearing to be had upon such complaint, upon a day not more than five
2251 nor less than three days from the making of such order, and shall cause
2252 notice of not less than three nor more than five days to be given to any
2253 candidate or candidates whose election may be affected by the decision
2254 upon such hearing, to such election official, the Secretary of the State,
2255 the State Elections Enforcement Commission and to any other party or
2256 parties whom such judge deems proper parties thereto, of the time and
2257 place for the hearing upon such complaint. Such judge shall, on the
2258 day fixed for such hearing and without unnecessary delay, proceed to
2259 hear the parties. If sufficient reason is shown, [he] such judge may
2260 order any voting machines to be unlocked or any ballot boxes to be
2261 opened and a recount of the votes cast, including absentee ballots, to
2262 be made. Such judge shall thereupon, in case [he] such judge finds any
2263 error in the rulings of the election official, any mistake in the count of
2264 the votes or any violation of said sections, certify the result of [his]
2265 such judge's finding or decision to the Secretary of the State before the
2266 fifteenth day of the next succeeding December. Such judge may order a
2267 new election or a change in the existing election schedule. Such
2268 certificate of such judge of [his] such judge's finding or decision shall
2269 be final and conclusive upon all questions relating to errors in the
2270 rulings of such election officials, to the correctness of such count, and,
2271 for the purposes of this section only, such claimed violations, and shall
2272 operate to correct the returns of the moderators or presiding officers,
2273 so as to conform to such finding or decision, unless the same is
2274 appealed from as provided in section 9-325.

2275 Sec. 40. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) (1) No individual who is an
2276 officer, director, manager, owner, limited or general partner or holder
2277 of stock constituting five per cent or more of the total outstanding
2278 stock of any class of a business or entity which is a municipal
2279 contractor or a prospective municipal contractor, and has substantial
2280 policy or decision-making authority related to the administration of
2281 said contract, or a political committee established by such business, or
2282 such individual's spouse or dependent child shall make a contribution
2283 or contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization
2284 or request of a candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any
2285 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's
2286 campaign for election, to any elected office in such municipality.

2287 (2) If any said individual or political committee makes such a
2288 contribution, the municipal contractor or prospective municipal
2289 contractor shall be prohibited from being awarded a municipal
2290 contract, or an extension or an amendment to a municipal contract, for
2291 one year after the election for which said contribution is made.

2292 (3) No such candidate or committee shall accept such a contribution.

2293 (b) (1) No individual who is an officer, director, manager, owner,
2294 limited or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent
2295 or more of the total outstanding stock of any class of a business or
2296 entity which is a municipal contractor or a prospective municipal
2297 contractor, and has substantial policy or decision-making authority
2298 related to the administration of said contract, or a political committee
2299 established by such business, or such individual's spouse or dependent
2300 child may solicit a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of,
2301 or pursuant to the authorization or request of a candidate or a
2302 committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for
2303 nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to
2304 any elected office in such municipality.

2305 (2) If any said individual or political committee makes such a
2306 solicitation, the municipal contractor or prospective municipal

2307 contractor shall be prohibited from being awarded a municipal
2308 contract, or an extension or an amendment to a municipal contract, for
2309 one year after the election for which said contribution is made.

2310 Sec. 41. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the
2311 provisions of section 7-192a of the general statutes, any municipality
2312 may, by ordinance, establish (1) a voluntary program for the public
2313 financing of campaigns of candidates for election to the offices of chief
2314 executive officer of the municipality, municipal clerk, and member of
2315 the legislative body of the municipality, who agree to limit campaign
2316 fund-raising and expenditures, and (2) a commission to administer and
2317 enforce such program. The municipality shall pay the costs of
2318 administering and enforcing such program. Any such ordinance shall
2319 be subject to the provisions of chapter 150 of the general statutes and
2320 shall not contain provisions that are less restrictive than the provisions
2321 of chapter 150 of the general statutes. A candidate for any such office
2322 who decides not to participate in such program shall be subject to the
2323 provisions of chapter 150 of the general statutes. Any such public
2324 financing shall not be deemed to be public funds for the purposes of
2325 subsection (d) of section 9-333l of the general statutes, as amended by
2326 this act.

2327 Sec. 42. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*). If any section, part or
2328 provision of this act shall be declared unconstitutional, invalid or
2329 ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration
2330 shall be limited to the section, part or provision directly involved in the
2331 controversy in which such declaration was made and shall not affect
2332 any other section, part or provision thereof.

2333 Sec. 43. Subsections (g), (h), (i) and (j) of section 9-333n of the
2334 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
2335 thereof (*Effective from passage if section 27 of this act is declared*
2336 *unconstitutional, invalid or ineffective by any court of competent*
2337 *jurisdiction*):

2338 [(g) (1) No individual who is an officer, director, manager, owner,

2339 limited or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent
2340 or more of the total outstanding stock of any class of a business or
2341 entity which is a state contractor or a prospective state contractor, and
2342 has substantial policy or decision-making authority related to the
2343 administration of said contract, or a political committee established by
2344 such business, or such individual's spouse or dependent child shall
2345 make a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant
2346 to the authorization or request of, (A) a candidate or a committee
2347 supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for nomination at a
2348 primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to the office of
2349 Governor; Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State
2350 Comptroller or Attorney General; State Treasurer, with regard to
2351 individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision (2) of
2352 subsection (f) of this section; state senator; state representative; (B) an
2353 exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus committee; or (D) a
2354 political committee established by (i) a state officer, or such officer's
2355 agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such candidate's agent; (iii) a
2356 member of the General Assembly or such member's agent; or (iv) a
2357 candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly, or such
2358 candidate's agent.

2359 (2) If any said individual or political committee makes such a
2360 contribution, the state contractor or prospective state contractor shall
2361 be prohibited from being awarded a state contract, or an extension or
2362 an amendment to a state contract, for one year after the election for
2363 which said contribution is made.

2364 (3) No such candidate or committee shall accept such a contribution.

2365 (h) (1) No individual who is an officer, director, manager, owner,
2366 limited or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent
2367 or more of the total outstanding stock of any class of a business or
2368 entity which is a state contractor or a prospective state contractor, and
2369 has substantial policy or decision-making authority related to the
2370 administration of said contract, or a political committee established by
2371 such business, or such individual's spouse or dependent child, may

2372 solicit a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant
2373 to the authorization or request of (A) a candidate or a committee
2374 supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for nomination at a
2375 primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to the office of
2376 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State
2377 Comptroller or Attorney General, State Treasurer, with regard to
2378 individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision (2) of
2379 subsection (f) of this section, state senator, state representative; (B) an
2380 exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus committee; or (D) a
2381 political committee established by (i) a state officer, or such officer's
2382 agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such candidate's agent; (iii) a
2383 member of the General Assembly or such member's agent; or (iv) a
2384 candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly, or such
2385 candidate's agent.

2386 (2) If any said individual or political committee makes such a
2387 solicitation, the state contractor or prospective state contractor shall be
2388 prohibited from being awarded a state contract, or an extension or an
2389 amendment to a state contract, for one year after the election for which
2390 said contribution is made.

2391 (i) (1) No lobbyist, spouse of a lobbyist, or dependent child of a
2392 lobbyist shall make a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit
2393 of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of (A) a candidate or a
2394 committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for
2395 nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to
2396 the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
2397 State Comptroller or Attorney General, State Treasurer, with regard to
2398 individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision (2) of
2399 subsection (f) of this section, state senator, state representative; (B) an
2400 exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus committee; or (D) a
2401 political committee established by (i) a state officer, or such officer's
2402 agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such candidate's agent; (iii) a
2403 member of the General Assembly or such member's agent; or (iv) a
2404 candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly, or such
2405 candidate's agent.

2406 (2) No such candidate or committee shall accept such a contribution.

2407 (j) No lobbyist, spouse of a lobbyist, or dependent child of a lobbyist
2408 may solicit a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or
2409 pursuant to the authorization or request of, (A) a candidate or a
2410 committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for
2411 nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to
2412 the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
2413 State Comptroller or Attorney General, State Treasurer, with regard to
2414 individuals not subject to the prohibition under subdivision (2) of
2415 subsection (f) of this section, state senator, state representative; (B) an
2416 exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus committee; or (D) a
2417 political committee established by (i) a state officer, or such officer's
2418 agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such candidate's agent; (iii) a
2419 member of the General Assembly or such member's agent; or (iv) a
2420 candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly, or such
2421 candidate's agent.]

2422 (g) No individual who is an officer, director, manager, owner,
2423 limited or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent
2424 or more of the total outstanding stock of any class of a business or
2425 entity which is a state contractor or a prospective state contractor, and
2426 has substantial policy or decision-making authority related to the
2427 administration of said contract, or a political committee established by
2428 such business, or such individual's spouse or dependent child, shall
2429 make a contribution or contributions greater than one hundred dollars
2430 to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of (1) a
2431 candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's
2432 campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign
2433 for election, to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary
2434 of the State, State Comptroller or Attorney General, State Treasurer,
2435 with regard to individuals not subject to the prohibition under
2436 subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section, state senator; state
2437 representative; (2) an exploratory committee; (3) a legislative caucus
2438 committee; or (4) a political committee established by (A) a state
2439 officer, or such officer's agent; (B) a candidate for state office, or such

2440 candidate's agent; (C) a member of the General Assembly or such
2441 member's agent; or (D) a candidate for nomination or election to the
2442 General Assembly, or such candidate's agent.

2443 (h) (1) No individual who is an officer, director, manager, owner,
2444 limited or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent
2445 or more of the total outstanding stock of any class of a business or
2446 entity which is a state contractor or a prospective state contractor, and
2447 has substantial policy or decision-making authority related to the
2448 administration of said contract, or a political committee established by
2449 such business, or such individual's spouse or dependent child, may
2450 solicit a contribution or contributions greater than one hundred dollars
2451 to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of (A)
2452 a candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's
2453 campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign
2454 for election, to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary
2455 of the State, State Comptroller or Attorney General, State Treasurer,
2456 with regard to individuals not subject to the prohibition under
2457 subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section, state senator, state
2458 representative; (B) an exploratory committee; (C) a legislative caucus
2459 committee; or (D) a political committee established by (i) a state officer,
2460 or such officer's agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such
2461 candidate's agent; (iii) a member of the General Assembly or such
2462 member's agent; or (iv) a candidate for nomination or election to the
2463 General Assembly, or such candidate's agent.

2464 (2) If any said individual or political committee makes such a
2465 solicitation greater than one hundred dollars, the business shall be
2466 prohibited from being awarded a state contract, or an extension or an
2467 amendment to a state contract, for one year after the election for which
2468 said contribution is made.

2469 (i) (1) No lobbyist, spouse of a lobbyist, or dependent child of a
2470 lobbyist shall make a contribution or contributions greater than one
2471 hundred dollars to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization
2472 or request of, (A) a candidate or a committee supporting or opposing

2473 any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary, or any
2474 candidate's campaign for election, to the office of Governor, Lieutenant
2475 Governor, Secretary of the State, State Comptroller or Attorney
2476 General, State Treasurer, with regard to individuals not subject to the
2477 prohibition under subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section, state
2478 senator, state representative; (B) an exploratory committee; (C) a
2479 legislative caucus committee; or (D) a political committee established
2480 by (i) a state officer, or such officer's agent; (ii) a candidate for state
2481 office, or such candidate's agent; (iii) a member of the General
2482 Assembly or such member's agent; or (iv) a candidate for nomination
2483 or election to the General Assembly, or such candidate's agent.

2484 (2) No such candidate or committee shall accept such a contribution
2485 greater than one hundred dollars.

2486 (j) No lobbyist, spouse of a lobbyist, or dependent child of a lobbyist
2487 may solicit a contribution or contributions greater than one hundred
2488 dollars to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request
2489 of, (A) a candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any
2490 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's
2491 campaign for election, to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
2492 Secretary of the State, State Comptroller or Attorney General, State
2493 Treasurer, with regard to individuals not subject to the prohibition
2494 under subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section, state senator,
2495 state representative; (B) an exploratory committee; (C) a legislative
2496 caucus committee; or (D) a political committee established by (i) a state
2497 officer, or such officer's agent; (ii) a candidate for state office, or such
2498 candidate's agent; (iii) a member of the General Assembly or such
2499 member's agent; or (iv) a candidate for nomination or election to the
2500 General Assembly, or such candidate's agent.

2501 Sec. 44. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*). (a) No executive head of a
2502 state agency in the executive branch, executive head of a quasi-public
2503 agency, deputy of any such executive head, or other full-time official
2504 or employee of any such state agency or quasi-public agency who is
2505 appointed by the Governor shall make a contribution or contributions

2506 to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a
 2507 primary or election to the office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor,
 2508 in excess of one hundred dollars. As used in this section, "quasi-public
 2509 agency" has the same meaning as provided in section 1-120 of the
 2510 general statutes.

2511 (b) No official or employee of the office of the Lieutenant Governor,
 2512 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
 2513 Treasurer shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the
 2514 benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or
 2515 election to the office in which such official or employee serves, in
 2516 excess of one hundred dollars.

2517 (c) No member of a caucus staff for a major party in the Senate or
 2518 House of Representatives shall make a contribution or contributions to,
 2519 or for the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a
 2520 primary or election to the office of state senator or state representative,
 2521 in excess of one hundred dollars."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	9-348ee
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	9-333j(e)
Sec. 6	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 7	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 8	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 9	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section

Sec. 10	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 13	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2005, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 15	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 16	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 17	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 18	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 19	<i>from passage, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2005, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2005, and applicable to elections held in 2008, and thereafter</i>	New section
Sec. 22	<i>from passage</i>	9-333a
Sec. 23	<i>from passage</i>	9-333b(b)
Sec. 24	<i>from passage</i>	9-333j(c)
Sec. 25	<i>from passage</i>	9-333l(g)
Sec. 26	<i>from passage</i>	9-333l(e)
Sec. 27	<i>from passage</i>	9-333n

Sec. 28	<i>from passage</i>	9-333t
Sec. 29	<i>from passage</i>	9-333e(a)
Sec. 30	<i>from passage</i>	9-333k(a)
Sec. 31	<i>November 8, 2006</i>	9-333m(a)
Sec. 32	<i>November 8, 2006</i>	9-333n(a) and (b)
Sec. 33	<i>November 8, 2006</i>	9-333o
Sec. 34	<i>November 8, 2006</i>	9-333q
Sec. 35	<i>from passage</i>	9-333s
Sec. 36	<i>from passage</i>	9-333u
Sec. 37	<i>from passage</i>	9-333y(b)
Sec. 38	<i>from passage</i>	9-7b
Sec. 39	<i>from passage</i>	9-324
Sec. 40	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 41	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 42	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 43	<i>from passage if section 27 of this act is declared unconstitutional, invalid or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction</i>	9-333n(g), (h), (i) and (j)
Sec. 44	<i>from passage</i>	New section